

# THE VOICE

## OF CLARKE COLLEGE

NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

SEPTEMBER 1971

### The President Speaks . . .



The beginning of a new school year is always an exciting and thrilling time and the launching of the sixty-fourth session of Clarke College was no excep-

tion. In fact, in many ways it has been one of the finest ever. I have a distinct feeling that we have begun the most exciting and challenging year in Clarke's history. The new name, the new calendar, the new divisional structure for the academic program, the new members of faculty and staff, and the excellent group of students, both returning and entering, all combine to make for a promising outlook for a great year.

The new Dean, Victor Vaughn, with the capable assistance of Business Manager, Herbert Valentine, has done a superb job in planning for and directing the session launching—pre-session faculty workshop, counseling, and registration procedures. The members of the faculty have been thoroughly cooperative, as always. The new Directors of Development and Public Information, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Higgins, have begun their work in a fine way and are developing programs of work in their respective areas that promise to be highly effective in building a greater Clarke College. Admissions Counselor Woodie Burt and his assistant, James Spencer, have some plans for an aggressive program of student enlistment. The Board of Trustees has shown a readiness to approve, support and provide for a dynamic forward program.

All these encouraging factors add up to a most promising outlook for the Mississippi Baptist Junior College.

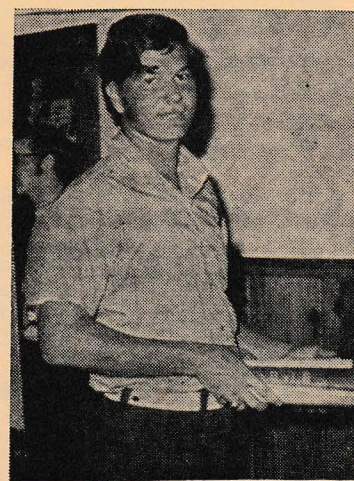
### Clarke Registers For Sixty-Fourth Session



It was a familiar scene of organized chaos as students from twelve states and five foreign countries registered for the Fall Semester on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 24 and 25.

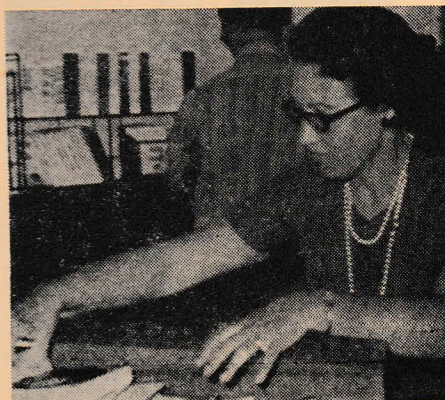
For the first time Clarke students enrolled for an "early semester" program. This innovative technique in education was overwhelmingly approved last spring by students and faculty. It will allow classes to conclude entirely before the Christmas holidays and will prevent a break in curriculum continuity.

Over two hundred thirty persons are part of the student body for this semester and 27 per cent of these indicate that their choice of vocation is



church-related.

Both new and returning students found the campus fresh and inviting as the result of an extensive renovation and remodeling program carried on during the summer. The cafeteria has been redecorated, all buildings cleaned, new paint is in evidence and of particular interest to students is the completion of work in the Student Recreation Hall. The building has been renovated, allowing students to play a wide variety of sports and games. It is complete with snack area. Under the direction of Athletic Director Larry Van Neste and student assistants a full schedule of activities is provided.



## Across The Development Desk



Development '72 by any other name . . . what else could it possibly mean? In a nutshell it means **financial support**. Without interested and involved people providing this finan-

cial support through regular contributions or deferred giving, Clarke's student tuition would need to be doubled just to meet college expenses. In that event an education in a Christian environment would be prohibitive to the majority of Clarke students!

A recent article in U. S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT points out that private colleges account for 25 per cent of America's total college enrollment. Obviously, if Mississippi were suddenly faced with providing classroom space, facilities, teachers and equipment for 25 per cent more students, a personal tax bite would be inevitable. Then we'd all give . . . because we had to!

In that same article the author says, "I think a large proportion of

the college-bound youth have somehow come to believe that man fulfills himself by being freed from all obligations and limitations . . . Somehow, in the minds of many young people, dissent, protest and confrontation have come to be looked upon as glory words, and as good in themselves!"

Whether or not this is the thinking of young people as they come to Clarke for the first time we cannot know. But this we do know . . . such an attitude is foreign to the purpose of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. Clarke lays claim to being unique . . . to providing something that public institutions cannot provide . . . an atmosphere where the heart and mind **learn together**. Clarke is not as concerned with the attitude the student brings as with the attitude he takes when he leaves!

Sure it costs more to attend Clarke, but it's worth it. And the College is so very grateful to the 465 individuals who have made contributions during the past five years . . . who **obviously** believe as we do. . . "Clarke is a unique College" . . . and believe it to the extent of helping pay for it!

## About The Faculty And Staff . . .

President Compere traveled to Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, on September 6, to deliver the Convocation Address. . . .



. . . . Admissions Counselor Woodie Burt just returned from an Admissions Conference (COMPRO) in Atlanta, Ga. . . . .



. . . There's music in the air as Century Records releases "Echoes from Country Churches" featuring Clarke's Buddy McElroy . . .



. . . Named to Outstanding Young Men in America for 1971, History Teacher James Spencer . . .

. . . Double honors for Paul Brown; named to Outstanding Educators of America and promoted to Chairman of Clarke's Fine Arts Division . . .



. . . Mr. Clark Adams joins the Music Faculty as Instructor in Voice; an M. M. graduate of our sister institution, William Carey College.



. . . Dr. O. P. Moore recently elected a Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis International, District III . . .



## ALUMNEWS

### Class of '32

W. H. (Bill) Gallaspy was recently elected President of the Piggly-Wiggly National Operator Ass'n. at the Piggly-Wiggly Convention held in Boston, Mass. Mr. Gallaspy serves his Alma Mater as a member of the Board of Trustees.

### Class of '39

Dr. J. Kelva Moore has been named Acting Dean of the School of Religious Education at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Moore has been a member of the New Orleans Faculty since 1953.

### Class of '40

Dr. W. Levon Moore, with Mrs. Moore, is participating in the Singapore Crusade for Christ with the John Haggai Evangelistic Team.

### Class of '41

Rev. Troy Prince is the new Executive Secretary of the Alaska Baptist Convention. The Princes may be addressed at P. O. Box 80, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

### Class of '53

Miss Dorothy Emmons is on furlough from Tanzania, where she serves as a Southern Baptist Missionary. Her furlough address is: Sunset Acres, Apt. 62, Bogalusa, La. 70427.

### Class of '55

Rev. Anis A. Shorosh, with his evangelistic association (based in Mobile, Ala.), recently concluded an extensive crusade through India. Among his contacts was The Maharaja of Hyderabad who told Rev. Shorosh, "I never heard the Gospel of Jesus until you came."

### Class of '59

Dan Emerson is the new Minister of Music at First Baptist Church, Gulf Shores, Alabama. He will also be teaching at Gulf Coast Academy.

Eula Love Emerson (Mrs. Dan) will be assuming responsibilities as Secretary for both First Baptist Church, Gulf Shores and also for Gulf Coast Academy.

### Class of '62

Carlos G. Corley has recently been named Principal of Harris Campus, Meridian High School. He comes to this position from principalship of Griffin Junior High, Meridian.

Billy Jack Green is now Minister of Music at First Baptist Church, Columbia, Mississippi. The Greens moved to Columbia from Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson.

James Johnston, Minister of Music at Superior Avenue Baptist Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana, recently toured with his Youth Choir and presented a well-received performance at Clarke College.

#### Class of '68

James M. Kitchens owns and operates the Monroe Funeral Home in Monroe, La. The Kitchens' new address: 1110 Jackson St., Monroe, La., 71201.

Michael L. Smith assumed his duties on August 29 as Minister of Music and Youth at First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, Miss.

#### Class of '70

Rev. Pete Jackson has become pastor of Pineview Baptist Church, Moss Point, Mississippi. He formerly served First Baptist Church, Lake, Mississippi.

#### ALUMNI ETERNAL:

Rev. Sutton C. Smith, Pastor of Carson Church, died August 18 in Meridian. Mr. Smith, 45, became ill on a vacation trip with his family and was enroute home when he had to be hospitalized in Meridian. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Bridges Smith, three sons, three daughters and one grandchild.

## Statistically Speaking . . .

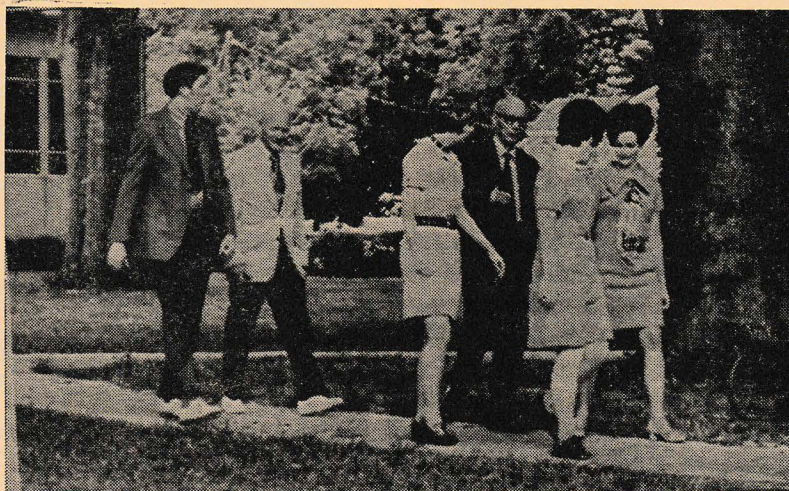
According to the 1970-71 figures compiled by the American Association of Junior Colleges, church-related junior colleges number 104 in the United States with a total enrollment of 22,722. Comments Aiken Connor of the AAJC, "These statistics suggest that the private, two-year college is not a moribund, out-dated institution. The variety of institutional characteristics . . . encourages the development of innovative and responsive programs, and reflects the varied cultural traditions of different regions. An institution capable of such flexibility-with-tradition will surely remain a vital part of American higher education."

Within this group of 104 church-related junior colleges, is a smaller group. There are 11 Southern Baptist Junior Colleges, and recently-released figures reflect Clarke's standing in this peer group. According to the 1970-71 statistical tables published in THE BAPTIST PROGRAM, Clarke College is **FIRST** in the total number of students who have indicated that they are vocational Christian volunteers. Twenty-two per cent of all ministerial students attending Southern Baptist junior colleges last year attended Clarke. The Mississippi Baptist Junior College is **SECOND** in ranking among the Baptist junior colleges in the amount of endowment and **FIRST** in income from that endowment. Clarke also still retains **FIRST** place in the number of its alumni serving as missionaries under the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

## THE FACULTY MEETS . . .



Lots of Brainpower flowing in Clarke's First Fall Faculty Meeting.



Everybody deserves a break now and then . . . So, it's over to the President's house for Coffee.

## Ridgecrest Reflections

Note: Jackie Valentine, Clarke College Sophomore, was a "Staffer" at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly this summer, and she tells the story of that summer in her own way.



Ridgecrest is more than a place to work, and being a Ridgecrest Staffer will not provide money to pay for a college education! It is an experience to be enjoyed, loved, and cherished ever after in memories.

The Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, in which Ridgecrest is located, fills one with reverence for the beauty of God's creations. About

four hundred young people from all over the United States go to this spot in the Blue Ridge every summer to work hard, play hard, share, and learn the value of a penny (for eight pennies you can send a letter home requesting a Care Package). The sharing includes work, feelings, ideas, gripes, but most important, these young people share God's love. They learn that the only way to live and cope with people (especially CPT\*) is to have love in your heart.

My summer at Ridgecrest, working in the Nibble Nook, taught me to love people; that if I look for the beauty and the good things in a person I will overlook the fact that he is never satisfied with the amount of ice cream he gets for twenty cents!

(\*Cotton Picking Tourists)

## Summer Missionaries Report, "It's Worth The Effort!"

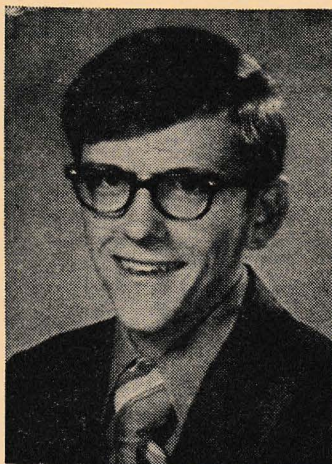


ELIZABETH "BETH" PILGRIM

Three Clarke College students worked very hard this summer. They didn't all do the same thing but all three worked under the auspices of the Home Mission Board in the Student Summer Missionary program.

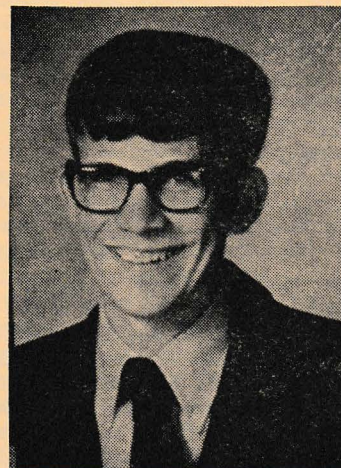
Beth Pilgrim, from Philadelphia, Mississippi, had several "firsts." Never having traveled very much, Beth went west of Louisiana for the first time in her life and she did it on an airplane—her first flight. For the first time Beth heard Spanish-speaking people and fell in love with them during the summer work in Corpus Christi, Texas. She had an opportunity to cross the border into Mexico and brought back souvenirs and an intense desire to learn to speak Spanish herself. Beth worked in seven Vacation Bible Schools, served as a Counselor in a camp for young people and children and worked in Negro churches during the final weeks of her summer work. Beth really got acquainted with Negro Christians as she stayed in their homes and worked with their children. Says Beth, "I didn't even know I was tired until I got home, but the whole summer was wonderful and really worthwhile. I'll certainly want to do it again."

Across the length of America another Clarke student served this sum-



WILLIAM "WILL" PHILPOT

mer. Will Philpot, a Sophomore from Camden, Alabama, spent the summer working primarily in the Resort Ministry in Michigan. He and his partner were the fourth in a series of Southern Baptist Summer Missionaries to work in a county park in Northern Michigan. They held Vacation Bible Schools for younger children and nightly Camp Fire sessions for older young people. One little girl who had been to the camp for the last couple of years came looking for "the missionaries who are going to have Bible School." Will reports an exhilarating experience of having 3,000 people in the park over the 4th of July weekend and being the only leaders for a worship service that Sunday morning. "The Worship services we held," said Will, "were not like those in churches in the South. These were in an open-air pavilion without musical instruments and people came dressed any way they wanted to." Missionary Philpot was delighted to report four decisions for Christ during the Camp Ministry. His last two weeks were spent in pure manual labor, but a labor of love and service. He and other summer missionaries remodeled the interior of a Michigan Baptist Church. Will says he had never carpentered before, but now he has a healthy re-



JOHNNY TAYLOR

spect for people who are able to do that sort of work. "Worth it? Would I do it again?" With a big grin Will Philpot nods affirmatively, "I sure would. We're glad about the four decisions, but if there had been only one it would have been worth the effort we made."

Clarke BSU President John Taylor served in the Eastern portion of the United States, doing Survey Work for local churches. John reports that Southern Baptist work generally is weak in this area, and he met with indifference on the part of many when he and his partner inquired about their church relationship. Startling statistics point up what John found: The population of the area they served is over one million, seven hundred thousand. Yet the **un-churched majority** number over one million, one hundred thousand. In addition to Survey Work, on behalf of five local West Virginia churches, John, a Ministerial student, had an opportunity to preach twice almost every Sunday. John's statement about his summer probably sums up the feeling of most young people who participated in the Summer Missionary effort: "Out of this summer's experiences I have had my eyes and mind opened to Home Missions."

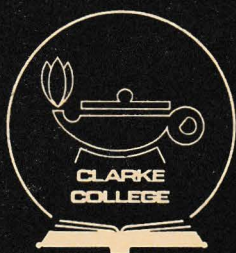


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### The President Speaks . . .



W. L. Compere

Development '71 is not a new ball game — it is the second half of a game already in progress. However, we have a new quarterback, a new game plan and a new momentum going for us. This may make it a new

ball game after all.

When our new Director of Development, Charles Higgins, arrived on the scene he found himself in the midst of an on-going development program that was meeting with considerable success.

The Board of Trustees in February had approved the launching of an Annual Fund with the principal emphasis on scholarships; printed material had been prepared and produced; two mailings had been sent out which brought forth some encouraging returns; and the Trustees were actively involved with the College Administration in the personal promotion of the Annual Fund with the emphasis on enlisting individuals who could give one or more of the \$300 scholarships. Already 164 people have contributed during 1971 approximately \$18,000 to the Annual Fund for 1971.

Very wisely, I think, our Director of Development has decided to take advantage of the momentum of the game and continue the Annual Fund promotion with the purpose of securing **more contributors**. Of course, more contributors will mean more dollars — dollars that are really needed — but the main emphasis now is getting **more people** actively involved in supporting the valuable program of Clarke College.

Now is the time for a still larger number of friends of Clarke College to respond to the challenge and to help make Development '71 a resounding success.

### Enthusiastic Leadership For Clarke's Development '71



Stepping out on behalf of Clarke College are Division Directors, (l to r), Ruben Cleveland, Union; Roy Kuykendall, Newton; Mrs. John Collier, Leland; Dr. James Booth, Eupora; and Dr. R. J. Reynolds, Newton.

Belief in Clarke College and enthusiastic support of the First Annual Fund are the hallmarks of Clarke's Division Directors for DEVELOPMENT '71. The Directors were on campus early in the month of October for a meeting with Development Director Charles Higgins and all endorsed the program of DEVELOPMENT '71.

The program designed for Clarke's First Annual Fund incorporates special areas of interest of those who might contribute. According to Mr. Higgins, "There are six logical areas of interest, or categories, into which contributors would fit; for instance, if a person has had a daughter or son at Clarke, the parent would logically be involved in the "Parents of Alumni" Division. In the same way, we are inviting Alumni to participate in

the Annual Fund through the "Sons and Daughters of Clarke" Division. This type of organizational structure enables us to more **personally** contact our donors and potential donors."

The six Division Directors who have indicated their belief in Clarke College by their willingness to serve are: "Sons & Daughters of Clarke" Division, Dr. James Booth, Eupora, Director; "Parents of Alumni" Division, Mrs. John Collier, Leland, Director; "Friends at Large" Division, Mr. Ruben Cleveland, Union, Director; "Businesses and Corporations" Division, Mr. W. A. McClendon, Newton, Director; "Greater Newton Area" Division, Dr. R. J. Reynolds, Newton, Director; "Trustees, Faculty and Staff," Roy Kuykendall, Newton, Director.

W. A. McClendon, Businessman, Newton, Director, "Businesses and Corporations" Division.



"Busy? Sure, I'm busy, and I'll bet you are, too. However, like most busy people, we usually find the time to do whatever we feel is really worth our time and effort. I believe that what I have to say to you about Clarke College is worth the time it will take you to read and consider it.

As busy people we must choose wisely what we get involved in. When I agree to do something for my church, my community, or an organization or institution, it is because I really **believe in it**. That gets me to the point — I **do** believe in Clarke College. My financial sense tells me that it is good business to have a college in a town, but my heart tells me even more. My own son attended Clarke, and what he received there in the way of education and personal attention was more than money could possibly pay for.

As a person caught up in this fast-paced dollars-and-cents world, I know that you are often asked to make contributions — and most are for very worthy causes. The same thing happens to me. Here again, we must make our choices.

I have chosen to contribute to Clarke College. I do not really feel it is as much a gift, however, as it is an **investment** — an investment in the lives of young people who will be guiding our businesses and industries in just a few short years; an investment in the well-being and spiritual health of our towns, cities, our state and our nation.

So here is the request — from one busy person to another — please consider a worthy contribution to Clarke College. An envelope is enclosed for your check."

Mrs. John Collier, prominent Greenville matron, is leading the "Parents of Alumni" Division.



"There is nothing as rewarding in the lives of parents as to be secure in the knowledge that their child is supremely happy.

Such was our experience when we took our eldest daughter, Candace, to enter Clarke College for her freshman year. Once we were home it was not easy to face her empty room, and especially her empty clothes closet! However, the knowledge we had of Candace and the joy of her happiness tucked away in our hearts made her absence easier to bear.

Clarke College campus truly exudes a spiritual warmth and friendliness that we had never experienced at any other school. Under the leadership and guidance of a completely dedicated faculty and staff, Candace matured and blossomed into a confident young lady with a definite purpose in her heart and life. She was helped at Clarke in finding God's plan for her life by the godly leadership of her teachers, and through some of them was encouraged and convinced at last that she could sing well enough to major in voice and to pursue a musical career.

I am sure that you, too, as a parent of an alumnus, feel that no sum of money could ever repay Clarke for its endless contribution made on the life and character of your son or daughter. But I'm sure you want to help in some way.

May I take this opportunity to ask you to search your heart and make the financial contribution that you feel you can afford. I know you will want to use the enclosed envelope immediately in order to have a part in Clarke's DEVELOPMENT '71."

Roy Kuykendall, former Trustee of Clarke College, local Newton cattle man and Director, "Trustee, Faculty and Staff" Division.



"I've had lots of happy experiences in my life and one of my proudest accomplishments is the fact that I served for a number of years as a Trustee for Clarke College. I know that all the people who have served Clarke in any capacity feel as I do — it is a great institution with a remarkable history and a promising future.

Sometimes those of us who are directly linked to the college tend to dismiss our contribution as too insignificant to be important. That's not true. Any gift is significant because it is being put on deposit in **lives** — in lives that go beyond Clarke, in years and people that we will never see. The interest will be paid on these contributions as others are helped, are led to Christ, are brought to Clarke, and are prepared to return even greater dividends in Christian living.

For a number of years now, my wife and I have given the Kuykendall Award to some outstanding young person selected by the Faculty. Clarke indeed has "The Cream of the Crop," and I wish we could give an award to each student as an evidence of my belief in the College they chose to attend.

I invite you to re-consider what you might put on deposit for the future by way of a contribution to the Mississippi Baptist Junior College. Your gift, no matter what size, is magnified by the institution which receives it. I hope you'll join me in making your contribution to the College it has been our privilege to serve. Make out your check today and use the enclosed postage-paid envelope."

James Booth, M. D., of Eupora, MS, Director of the "Sons and Daughters" (alumni) Division of Clarke's DEVELOPMENT '71.



"Every Clarke alumnus still has an unpaid bill! When I graduated, back in '47, I thought I certainly had paid in full for my education. Since then I've learned that what I paid actually covered less than half of what my education really cost.

The other half? Somebody else's money underwrote that part of my training. That was true for every person who has attended Clarke College over its sixty-four year history, and is still true today. We all owe a debt that is unpaid until we've helped someone else have the same benefit that was ours.

By the way, I don't contribute to Clarke because I **went there** for two years, but because of what I **took away** from there after two years! Think about that, fellow alumni. I'm sure it is true in your case, too.

There are some intangibles to education; something more than grades and graduation. There is that wonderful feeling at Clarke College of knowing that you are more than a statistic or a number on a computer card. Remember how the faculty, administration and staff became actively involved with the life and spiritual will being of Clarke students? As a result, Clarke alumni serve around the world with that same spirit of compassion for others and concern for their well being.

Your debit is still on the books — just like mine. For the sake of a **Christian education** for the Clarke students yet to come, how about a check on the balance due?"

Dr. R. J. Reynolds, Newton Dentist, is a member of the Clarke College Board of Trustees, and heads the "Greater Newton" Division of Development '71.



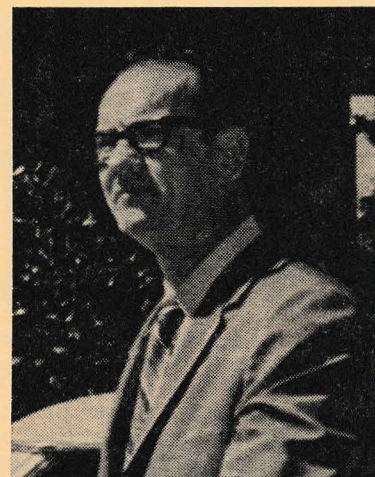
"Several years ago I made a choice. I chose to live, work, and raise my family in Newton. This is a good place to live and work and worship, and one of the most attractive features about Newton is the fact that we have a fine, Christian, liberal arts junior college here.

Clarke College and the Town of Newton are really partners. Over sixty years ago the Town asked the College to come — they backed up that request with an offer of a forty-acre building site, fifty scholarships, thirty-five thousand dollars and free water for five years! The College, in turn, has annually put a substantial amount of money into the economy of the Town and of Newton County.

But aside from the economics of the partnership, is the more important asset of people-to-people relationships. Fine young people from all over the southeast come to Clarke each year and add their vitality and vision to this community. Clarke's faculty members add to the cultural environment as they make their homes here. Businessmen readily acknowledge that an institution of higher learning is an asset to any community seeking new industry.

Newton needs Clarke and Clarke needs the Town and County. I'm proud to be a partner in this fine relationship. Join me — make a contribution of any size you can. An envelope is enclosed for your convenience. How about it, Partner?"

Ruben Cleveland, Well-known Union industrialist and Baptist layman. Director, "Friends at Large" Division.



"One of the most interesting things about being a Baptist layman is the fact that wherever I go I usually find somebody who knows somebody that I know! I get acquainted with these folks and they soon become my friends — perhaps I should call them "Friends at large" because I don't have an opportunity to see them very often.

I'd like to introduce you to a fine institution that I know, and ask you to consider becoming one of its "Friends at Large." Clarke College — our Mississippi Baptist Junior College, located at Newton — has consistently added lustre to Christian education in our state. Clarke's graduates seem to have a spirit that is uniquely theirs — a spirit of **service** that comes from the attitude fostered during two years on Clarke's campus. Clarke students are encouraged to learn by doing, and then it is natural for this attitude to follow as they make significant contributions in education, industry, and Christian vocations. Wherever they live and serve, the students who have been touched by the attitude on the campus at Clarke live and serve in a better and richer way.

I am convinced that this type of education **must** be continued — it is vital to our future! I invite you to help it continue by becoming a "Friend at Large" to Clarke College. Your gift will be gratefully received and carefully used. This, you can be assured of. An envelope is enclosed for your convenience in mailing your check."

## Across The Development Desk

"If it had not been for Clarke . . ."

"If it had not been for Clarke . . ."



Recently, in one of our fine Baptist churches in Meridian, a distinguished looking man came up to me and said, "You're associated with Clarke College, aren't you?" I was happy to admit that such was the case, and the man continued then by telling me that he was an alumnus of Clarke. We began to get better acquainted and I found that I was talking with Dr. Lloyd G. Parnell, Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Livingston University, Livingston, Alabama. During our continuing conversation Dr. Parnell said, with deep sincerity, "You know, I doubt that I would have gone to college at all had there not been Clarke College."

This man, whose picture I am including with this article, has accomplished a great deal in his life. He is listed in "Who's Who in America" and "Personalities of the South." He has a fine family, with a lovely wife who is an outstanding musician, and three bright young children. He has the satisfaction of having completed advanced degrees, including both Master's and Doctor of Education but . . . "I doubt that I would have gone to college at all had there not been Clarke . . ."

Dr. Parnell still believes, as I do, that there are young people who need what Clarke College has to offer; a fine basic education in a Christian environment with individual attention

to the student's needs and potential.

If you share this belief with Dr. Parnell and me as well as thousands of others, we invite you to have a part in the on-going life of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. We would be happy to hear from you if you know young people who should hear about Clarke and perhaps attend here; we also welcome your financial gift, in any size.

Perhaps you, too, are one of those who can say, "If it had not been for Clarke . . ."

Charles Higgins



Dr. Lloyd G. Parnell, Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Livingston University.

## ALUMNEWS

### Class of '27

Elton Barlow recently retired from the ministry after serving over thirty-seven years, the last seven at Harpersville. His new address: 258 Woody Drive, Jackson, MS 39212.

### Class of '47

Joe Baker, alumnus and former Business Manager at CC, has been promoted from Business Manager to Vice-President for Financial Affairs at Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C.

### Class of '51

Featured in a recent news article of THE SELMA ENTERPRISE, Selma, CA was Leonard Wilkinson, pastor of Church of the Redeemer in Selma.

### Class of '52

J. Ray Grissett moved this summer from the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Wiggins, to First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, MS.

### Class of '55

Dr. Lloyd Parnell of Meridian has been appointed Dean of the Graduate School of Livingston University, Livingston, AL.

### Class of '63

Bernie Parker has moved to Clanton, AL where he is serving as Minister of Music & Youth for First Baptist Church.

### Class of '67

Miss Carolyn Sadler is now serving as Minister of Music for First Baptist Church, Collinsville, MS.

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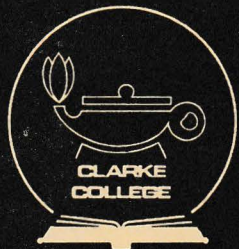
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Jackson's Calvary Church  
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### The President Speaks



At the Mississippi Baptist Convention there were many expressions of appreciation for the presentation of special music by the Clarke College Choir under the direction of Mr. James B. McEl-

roy. The Choir sang in all three sessions on Tuesday, November 16 — morning, afternoon and night. They did an excellent job and their messages in song were well received.

The Clarke Fellowship Dinner on Tuesday evening at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, was highly successful. The attendance was quite good, the program most helpful and the spirit outstanding.

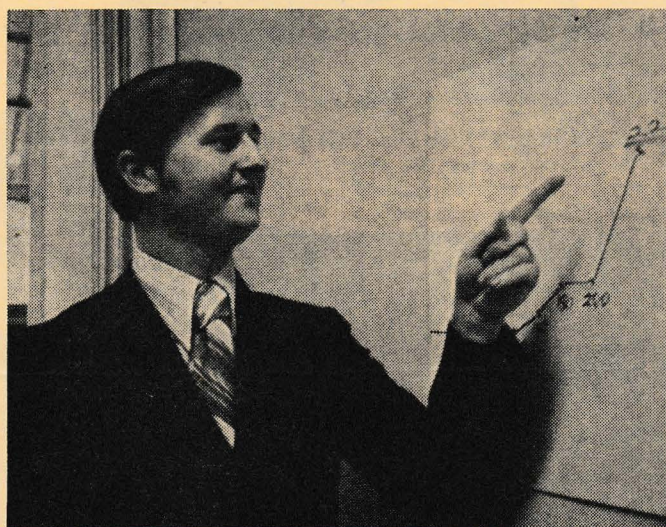
The Clarke display made a good impression on the many messengers who came in the Exhibit Room. The presence of students Sonya Stanford, Jon Doler, Janet Williams and Student Body President Ronnie Walker made a distinct contribution to the display.

W. L. Compere



You will find true happiness is making a contribution to Clarke's DEVELOPMENT '71.

### "College For A Day" Draws Record Crowd



Admissions Counselor Woodrow Burt proudly points to the record-breaking total for this fall's Annual Guest Day.

The annual Fall Guest Day at Clarke College was an exciting experience for those present this year on Saturday, October 23rd. According to figures recently released by Admissions Counselor Woodrow Burt, two hundred and twenty guests registered for the activities of the day. The majority of these visitors were high school juniors, seniors and graduates. Mr. Burt is delighted to report that, according to records in his office, this attendance figure sets a record for a fall guest day.

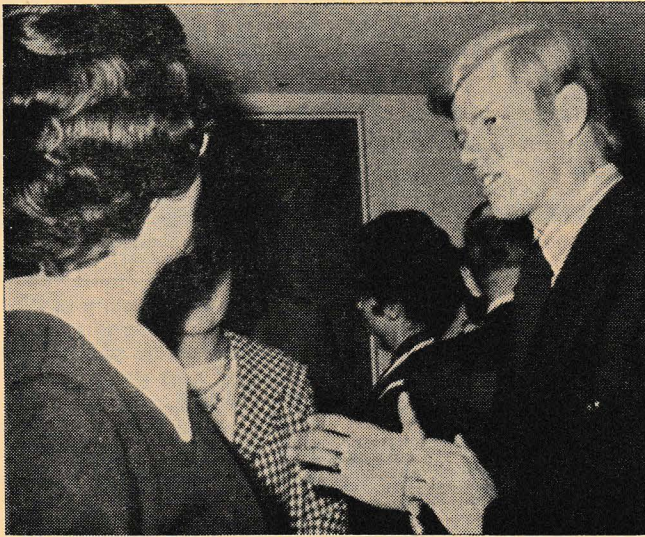
A full program of activities allowed each guest to sample all the areas of life on Clarke College campus including a hamburger lunch in the college cafeteria. Faculty members were on hand to meet with prospective students and offer advice about course choices. Alumni mingled with the guests they had brought and reminiscenced about "When I was here . . ."

The Admissions Office is hard at

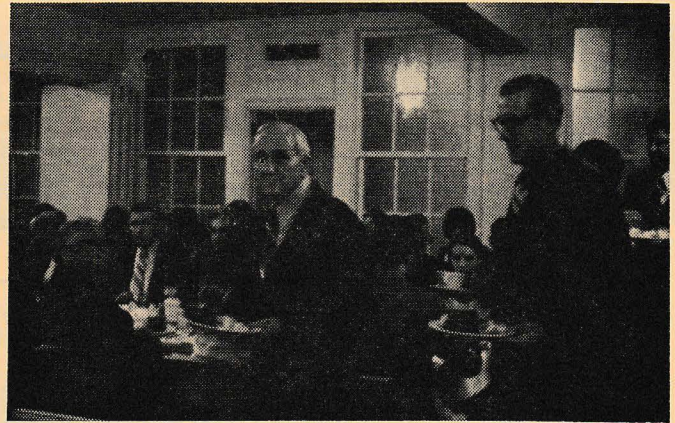
work corresponding with those visitors who indicated an interest in Clarke College. In keeping with the individualized approach of education at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College, every effort is made to take each prospective student's situation in personal consideration and give him or her the attention he should have.

Plans are now underway for Spring Guest Day on Saturday, March 25. More information will be released as plans are finalized, but anticipation is running high and it promises to be another excellent day for prospective students of Clarke College. Director of Admissions Burt is CHALLENGING the alumni of Clarke College to support the day by each alumnus bringing **one** prospective student. **JOIN US—SUPPORT CLARKE — PLAN TO ATTEND — BRING SOMEONE WHO NEEDS TO ATTEND CLARKE.**

# This Is The Way It Was At The Fellowship Dinner



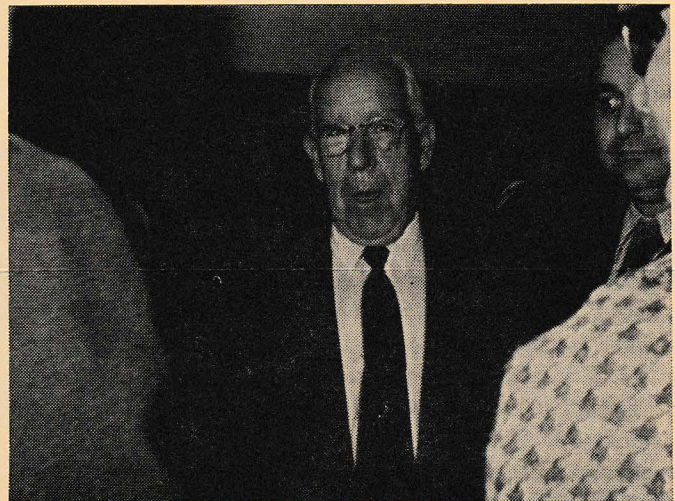
"I'm telling you, it was this long!"



"Come on, Roy, eat now—pose later!"



"Now, when I was President . . ."



"Now, when I was Dean . . ."

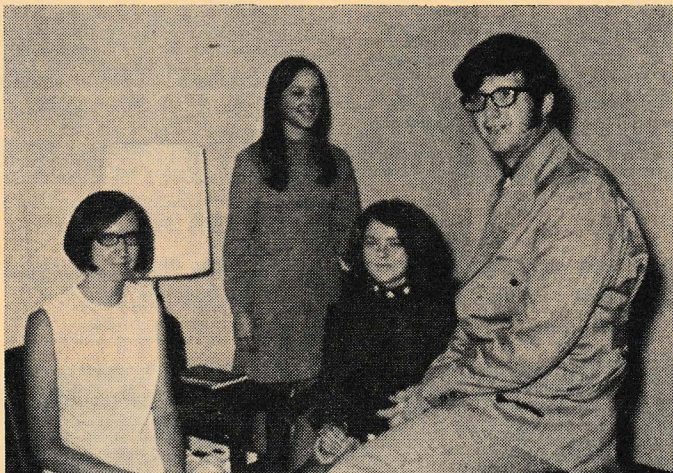


"And a good time was had by all!"



"Did ja hear the one about . . .?"

## First SBA Officers Lead In Activities On Campus



l to r Treasurer Brenda Smith, Troy, Alabama; Secretary Dinah Evans, Agricola, Mississippi; Vice-President Donna Womble, Pascagoula, Mississippi; President Ronny Walker, Flora, Mississippi.

Nearing the end of their first semester of service, the Student Body Officers of Clarke College can already look back on a job well done.

After two weeks of creative campaigning, Clarke students went to the polls at the end of September and elected Ronny Walker as President, Donna Womble was chosen to serve as Vice-President; named Secretary was Dinah Evans and Brenda Smith was elected Treasurer.

The first project undertaken under the leadership of this slate was Guest Day activities. Admissions Counselor Woodie Burt commented, "Frankly,

without their hard work we'd never have had as fine a day. They took three - fourths of the load off my shoulders."

The SBA traditionally on college campuses serves as a liaison between the student body and the administration. President Ronny Walker, in his comments at the Annual Fellowship Dinner during the Mississippi Baptist Convention, said that he feels this role is relatively easy on Clarke's campus, but that nonetheless they are making a real effort to be a channel of communication. (Editorial note: And indeed they are!)

## ALUMNEWS

### Class of '53

Bill Burnside is Assistant Professor of History, John Brown University, Siloam Springs, Arkansas 72761.

### Class of '55

We regret to report the death of Ray Waldrop who died of a heart attack at his home on November 3rd.

### Class of '62

Rev. Bobby C. Waggoner is now the pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Lincoln County, Mississippi. His address: Route 5, Box 136, Brookhaven, MS 39601.

### Class of '67

Bill Blanton, recent recipient of his Master's Degree in Education from Mississippi College, is teaching Social Studies at Chastain Junior High School in Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Blanton live in Clinton.

Bill and Donna Reese McClendon are the proud parents of lovely Angelique Lareese.

Octavia Applewhite is the Youth Director for First Baptist Church, Columbus, Mississippi.

An ordination service for Larry Hendricks was held Sunday, October 24 at First Baptist Church, Yazoo City. Larry, in addition to serving as pastor of Harland's Creek Baptist Church, is doing additional college work at Mississippi College.

### Class of '71

Wedding bells on November 27 for Miss Janice Lawrimore. The wedding in Bethel Baptist Church of Hartselle, Alabama, unites alumna Lawrimore with Mr. Archie Sparks.



The Concert Choir of Clarke College was highlighted in three performances during the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Under the direction of James B. McElroy, accompanied by Mrs. McElroy, the Choir presented selections designed to ac-

quaint the delegates with music which could effectively be performed by a local church choir. Climaxing their musical contributions on Tuesday evening was a magnificent rendition of Handel's incomparable "Hallelujah Chorus."

# "Continuing The Subject Of Development '71..."



Clarke College has several hundred financially-committed friends; among these are the six individuals who are serving as Directors of Development '71. Here's what they have to say:

"Wherever they live and serve, the students who have been touched by the attitude of the campus at Clarke live and serve in a better and richer way. I am convinced that this type of education **must** be continued . . . it is vital to our future." (Ruben Cleveland, FRIENDS AT LARGE)

"Businessmen readily acknowledge that an institution of higher learning is an asset to any community seeking new industry. Newton needs Clarke and **Clarke needs the town and county**. I'm proud to be a partner in this fine relationship." (R. J. Reynolds, GREATER NEWTON)

"I am sure that you, too, as a parent of an alumnus, feel that no sum of money could ever repay Clarke for its endless contribution made on the life and character of your son or daughter. But I'm sure **you want to help** in some way." (Wilma Collier, PARENTS OF ALUMNI)

"By the way, I don't contribute to Clarke because **I went there** for two years, but because of what **I took away** from there after two years! Think about that, fellow alumni. I'm sure it is true in your case, too." (James Booth, SONS & DAUGHTERS OF CLARKE)

"I have chosen to contribute to Clarke College. I do not really feel

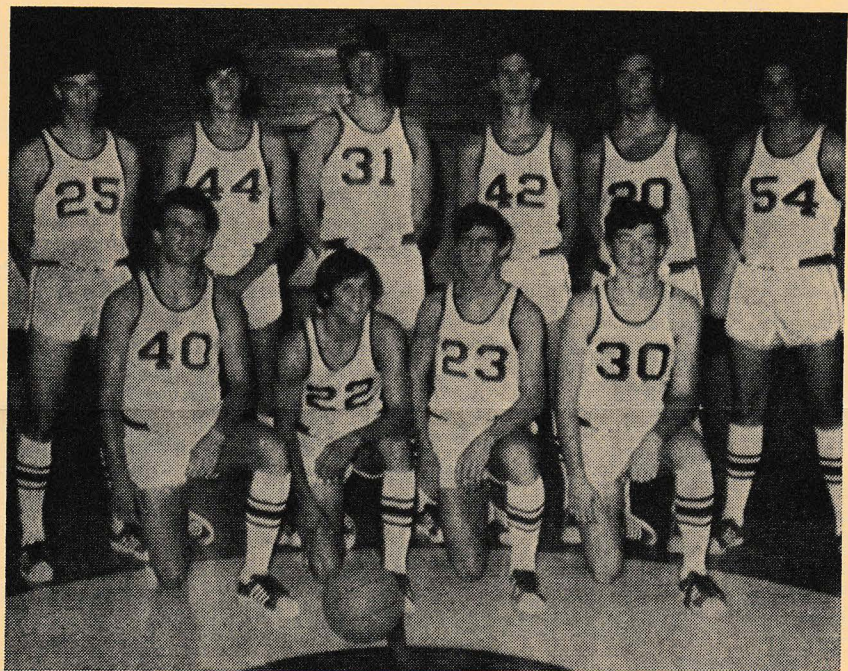
it is as much a gift, however, as it is **an investment** . . . an investment in the lives of young people who will be guiding our businesses and industries in just a few short years; an investment in the well-being and spiritual health of our towns, cities, our state and our nation." (Bill McClendon, BUSINESSES & CORPORATIONS)

"I invite you to re-consider what you might put on deposit for the

future by way of a contribution to the Mississippi Baptist Junior College. Your gift, **no matter what size**, is magnified by the institution which receives it." (Roy Kuykendall, TRUSTEES, FACULTY & STAFF)

YOU may have a part in this Development program by simply mailing your gift to Clarke College, Development Office, P. O. Box 440, Newton, MS 39345.

In the Spirit of Thanksgiving,  
Charles Higgins



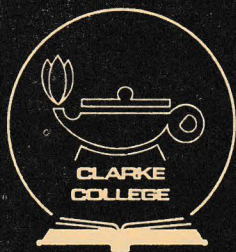
The Panthers participated in the Newton Jaycee Invitational Tournament, held in Cockrell Gymnasium November 12 and 13. Coach Ven Neste was proud of the showing the Clarke team made. Two Panthers were named to the All-Tournament Team: Mark Mize (31) and Randy Reed (42).



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# THE VOICE

## OF CLARKE COLLEGE

NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

JANUARY 1972

### The President Speaks



#### TO OUR PARTNERS IN PRIVILEGE:

As I look at the list of contributors which appears in this issue of **THE VOICE**, I am overwhelmed with a sense of gratitude for the support you wonderful friends have given to the work of Clarke College during the year 1971. As the Apostle Paul said to his friends at Philippi, who supported him in his missionary endeavors, you have been truly our "Partners in the privilege."

I note the names of many friends who have supported Clarke's work consistently across the years, others who participated in the new scholarship program promoted by the Trustees in 1971, and still others who responded to the "Development '71" emphasis carried out by our new Director of Development.

The fact that the total amount of money coming from individual contributions was larger than in many years is encouraging, but that which is still more encouraging is the large number of **new** contributors to our work. Your contributions help us to render a larger service to aspiring Christian youth and we thank you one and all.

W. L. COMPERE

### New Student Enrollment At Mid-Term Sets Record

Registration figures released at the close of the first day of registration for the spring semester at Clarke College, reveal that the enrollment of new students at mid-term surpasses the figure for the past five years.

Academic Dean Victor Vaughn commented that although colleges traditionally lose students at the end of the first semester, Clarke College has more than offset that loss by new applications and registrations.

According to the Dean, the cumulative enrollment for the session has already surpassed that of 1971, with the anticipated registration for the new evening classes to push the total enrollment still higher.

A comprehensive evening schedule is being offered at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College this semester. In addition to offering University Parallel Course Work, which means that a student can transfer work to four-year colleges and universities, Clarke

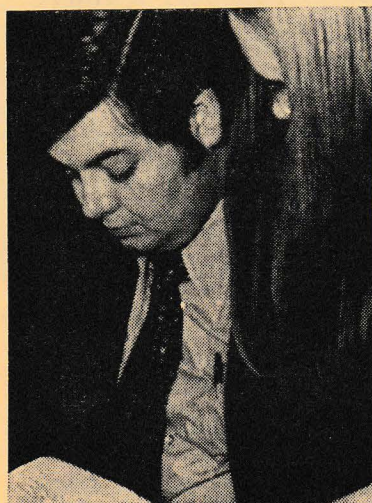


MR. JAMES SPENCER  
SOCIAL STUDIES

develops specific curriculum, especially in its evening Continuing Education Program which meet students and community interests and needs. Evening classes range from Sign Language to Song Leading, from Business Communication to Community Chorale.

An exciting innovation is taking shape in Sanders Library. Like libraries across the nation, Clarke finds itself using valuable shelf space for the storage of periodicals, magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, and unbound materials of all types. These materials are important and they must be kept and must remain accessible to students and faculty. Again, like many college libraries, Clarke is moving into the modern method of microfilm storage of periodicals.

Work has begun on the initial stages for conversion to microfilm, and the space thus released will provide shelf area for an additional 5,000 volumes in the college library.



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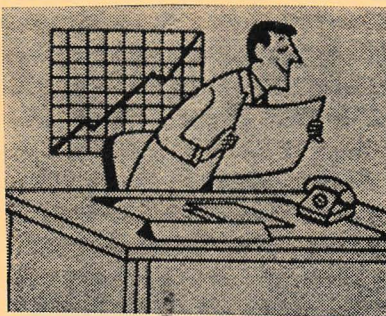
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## Our First Annual Fund Results . . .

235 Individual Contributors

(Up 52% Over 1970)

78 first-time donors

# ALUMNEWS

## CLASS OF '48

John Jacobs (and family) send word from Georgetown, Guyana (South America) that all goes well on that particular mission field. They send thanks for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. A copy of their newsletter is on file in the Public Information Office. We'll be glad to send copies upon request.

## CLASS OF '62

Dr. Charles Smith named to Outstanding Young Men of America for 1971. Dr. Smith is Assistant Professor of history at Cameron State College in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Farkin, Wanda and Raymond ('62) send word that they are in Mississippi once again, serving Crestview Church. Address: Rt. 8, Box 35, Hattiesburg.

## CLASS OF '63

Neola Jean Helmbold Trapnell, stationed with her Lt. Colonel Husband, Bob, in Omaha, Nebraska. Working in the Omaha Baptist Center, as a volunteer and teaching Mission Friends at her church. Address: 7502 Chandler Acres Drive, Omaha, NB 68147

James Pair, recent recipient of his Master's in Education from the University of Mississippi, is head basketball coach at Bay St. Louis High School, Bay St. Louis, MS. James was Captain of Clarke's Basketball Team in 1962-63. His wife, Kathy, with her Master's in Biology, teaches at Bay High.

## CLASS OF '65

Emile Rousseau still in Okinawa. He has been serving as Minister of Music at Lakeshore Baptist Church in Naha.

## CLASS OF '66

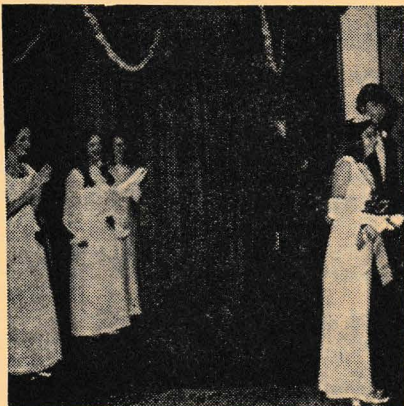
John Frank Jones, 1969 graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, with his wife Dorothy, their Jennifer (4) and Jon (2), are living in Marshall, Arkansas, where he is pastor of the First Baptist Church.

## CLASS OF '67

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gibby Russell of Clinton, on the birth of their son Dale, born Jan. 6.

Please address your ALUMNEWS to P. O. Box 440, Newton, MS 39345. Mark it "Alumnews Editor." We'll be glad to hear from you and to print your information.

## Annual Beauty Pageant Features "Promenade Of The Belles"



Clarke's annual Beauty Pageant was held on Friday evening, January 21st. Under the direction of the TRACES staff, the production featured on "Old South" theme, and twenty lovely young ladies were presented to the three hundred-plus audience.

Five visiting judges, all outstanding in their fields, evaluated each participant on qualities of poise, appearance, and stage presence. The group was narrowed down to ten and each of these was asked a question by Master of Ceremonies James Spencer. The judges evaluated each girl as she made her spontaneous answer.

The judges conferred for the final time, handed the envelope to the stage, and the winners were announced: Fourth runner-up Mary Smith, Enterprise; Madelon Reed, Louisville; Kathy Crotwell, Walker, La.; Belva Booker, Meridian; and "Most Beautiful," Patricia Gilbert of Newton. Miss Gilbert, who was also Newton's 1970 Junior Miss, was crowned by Clarke's "Most Handsome," Graham Boutwell, Pica-yune.



Cheering the Panthers on to victory are six attractive cheerleaders, elected by the Student Body. Reading from l to r, Becky Wise of Tylertown; Jackie Harrell, of Pascagoula; Cindy Burnett, Jackson; Ginger Brady, Newton; Gretta Benefield of Brewton, Ala.; and topping the classic pyramid, Gloria Bishop of Bay Springs.

## Clarke College Accreditation Re-Affirmed

The accreditation of Clarke College was re-affirmed by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools at its annual meeting at Miami Beach December 1. The recent Self-Study of the College was accepted as completed and the full accreditation of its work re-affirmed by the College Delegate Assembly upon the recommendation of the Committee on Standards and Reports and the Association's

Commission on Colleges.

This regional accrediting agency consisting of member schools from eleven Southern states requires that each of its member institutions conduct an institutional Self-Study at approximately ten year intervals. The Self-Study is reviewed by various committees including special committees which visit the campus to study the program and to make such recommendations for improvement as may occur to them. The Self-Study and the follow-up serve to assure that the institution is not only meeting the standards of the Association but also continually improving its program to keep up with the times.

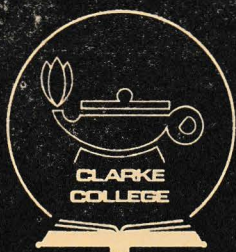


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# THE VOICE

## OF CLARKE COLLEGE

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MARCH 1972



### The President Speaks

The Trustee Scholarship Program begun in 1971, is proving to be one of the finest things done in our work in a long time. Many students enrolled in Clarke this year are being aided by this program and for some of them this probably made possible their coming to Clarke. We are grateful to all who participated last year by contributing scholarships or money to apply on scholarships.

This program is being continued this year and we hope it will be expanded to enlist a larger number of donors so as to reach the goal of one hundred scholarships of \$300 each.

An additional program being inaugurated this year, the establishment of a President's Club composed of donors giving \$1000 or more during the year, gives promise of proving a great help in providing necessary operational funds for the support of the College. This will be a valuable feature of our growing development program.

W. L. Compere

### Singers On Tour

March 26 (A.M.) First Baptist Church, McComb

March 26 (P.M.) Johnston Station Baptist Church, Summit

March 26 (P.M.) First Baptist Church, Monticello

March 27 (P.M.) First Baptist Church, Lumberton

March 28 (P.M.) First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs

March 29 (Noon) Jackson Mall,

March 29 (P.M.) First Baptist Church, Jackson

### "College For A Day" Set For March 25



Working with Mr. Woodie Burt on Guest Day Plans are SBA President Ronnie Walker and Miss Linda Waddell.

The annual Spring Guest Day at Clarke College has become a traditionally outstanding event. Over the past several years hundreds of high school students have visited the campus on this special occasion and, impressed by the atmosphere of education in a Christian environment, have chosen to return to Clarke as college freshmen.

Alumni join the crowds annually, proudly "remembering when." They bring young people from their church, from their own family, or just because they are friends, and introduce them to the fun, information and fellowship of "College for a Day" at Clarke.

The program for Saturday, March 25, has been well-coordinated to give each visitor a good, close look at life at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. No charge of any kind is made as students, alumni, and parents enjoy a full day of campus activities including tours, conferences, entertainment by "The Villagers" and the Clarke College "C's." Meals in the

college cafeteria, as well as refreshments, are provided, and all guests will be invited to stay through the afternoon's baseball game to see Clarke take on Jones Junior College. Saturday evening will feature a full-length motion picture.

Clarke College Alumni are especially invited to bring prospective students and spend the day, sharing with them as the students explore the possibility of choosing Clarke as their school.

Registration begins on Saturday morning at 8:30 in Sanders Library. Those who wish to, may come in on Friday afternoon. Housing will be available in the college dormitories and reservations for rooms may be made by writing Mr. Woodie Burt, Admissions Counselor, P. O. Box 440, Newton, MS 39345. Those who come on Friday afternoon will have a special treat that evening as they attend the annual Sophomore Class Play production. This year the feature is a comedy, "Here Comes Charley."

Clarke students will be on hand to welcome visitors to "College for a Day" on Saturday, March 25.

## Clarke Trustee Succumbs



MR. HORACE HEADRICK

Mr. Horace Headrick, Laurel businessman, Trustee of Clarke College and loyal friend and supporter of the College for many years, died on Saturday, February 26th. Dr. W. L. Compere assisted at the funeral of this Christian layman, as did Rev. James H. Street. Several other members of the Clarke College "family" were in attendance for services conducted at First Baptist Church, Laurel, on Monday, February 28th.

The statistics about the contribu-

tions of Mr. Headrick to Clarke are impressive indeed. In addition to monetary gifts, he was also generous with that valuable commodity, time. He gave not only of his resources, but of himself, serving the College with wisdom and love. He was active in enlisting the support of other businessmen for the work of the College.

Mr. Headrick first became a Trustee in 1943, and for twenty-six of the past twenty-nine years he has been an active member of the Board. For several of those years he served as Chairman of the Board and during other years he was Chairman of the vitally-important Budget Committee. As Chairman, or as a member of other important committees, he spent much time dealing with long-range planning in the life of the College.

Mrs. Headrick, the former Muriel Simmons, is the daughter of a past President of Clarke College, Dr. Bryan Simmons, and is herself an Alumna of Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Headrick's vision in establishing an Honor Award, which is named for Dr. Bryan Simmons, led others to follow their example, and their gift was a forerunner of the Honor Awards so eagerly vied for each year at Clarke College.

The College and the Community will miss the presence and influence of Horace Headrick, but others yet to come will benefit because he lived, and loved and served.

## All About Dr. Carter's New Book . . .

"There are few men among Southern Baptists who have a better understanding of the Word of God, who know how to express its great truths in simple, understandable language."

Dr. Joe Odle, Editor  
BAPTIST RECORD

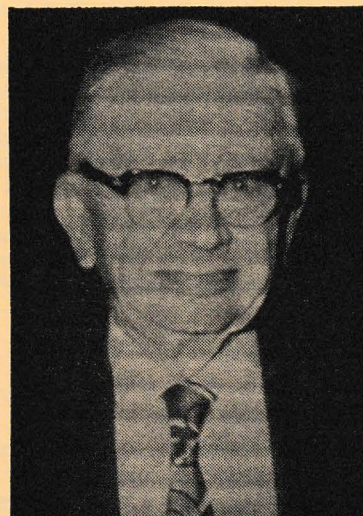
"I am going to find it a very useful reference in my work with teachers and officers of our church as I serve in the capacity of Director of Leadership Training . . . this book promises to be one of the most useful additions to my library."

Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins  
Professor Emeritus  
Southern Seminary  
Golden Gate Seminary

"You have done a great service by writing such a manual, and the placing of the actual Scripture in the volume is indeed helpful."

Rev. Emory Wallace, Pastor  
First Baptist Church  
DeRidder, LA

Friends and alumni who might be interested in obtaining a copy of Dr. Carter's book, *A LAYMAN'S MANUAL OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES*, may contact the Baptist Book Store in Jackson, Mississippi, or write directly to The Bookstore at Clarke College, Newton, MS 39345. The price of the volume is \$4.75, plus \$.25 postage.



DR. JOHN F. CARTER

## ALUMNEWS

### Class of '55

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Giles were on campus recently, with two prospective students. Mr. Giles is pastoring Macedonia Baptist Church, Meridian, MS.

Dr. Jerry Moore, son of Clarke faculty member, Dr. O. P. Moore, visited Clarke College during his recent visit with his parents. A pathologist at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, Tex., Dr. Moore was enroute to a Pathology Meeting in Atlanta, Ga.

Rev. John Kitchens, whose son, Bruce, is now a student at Clarke, has accepted a position with the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home in Monroe, LA.

### Class of '59

Lt. Warner Blackburn, a Chaplain in the Navy, is now stationed in Hawaii with a Destroyer Squadron. Mrs.

Blackburn (Marcia McGaugh '60) is in Newton for an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. A. L. McGaugh. Mrs. Blackburn and children, Scott and Lisa, will be joining Lt. Blackburn in Hawaii in a few weeks.

### Class of '68

Joe Kitchens was recently licensed to preach by Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson, MS.

### Class of '70

Miss Carolyn Franklin, who will receive her B. A. from Mississippi College this spring, has been employed as Director of Youth Ministries by the First Baptist Church, Newton, for this summer.

Please bring us up-to-date on your activities. The information you send will be printed in ALUMNEWS. Please address it to: Alumnews, P. O. Box 440, Newton, MS 39345.

**"COLLEGE FOR A DAY"**  
**March 25**

## Valentine Banquet Enjoyed By Clarke College Family



A gaily-bedecked cafeteria on the Clarke college campus was the setting for the Valentine banquet of 1972 on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15. "Love Story" was the theme in decoration, entertainment and inspiration.

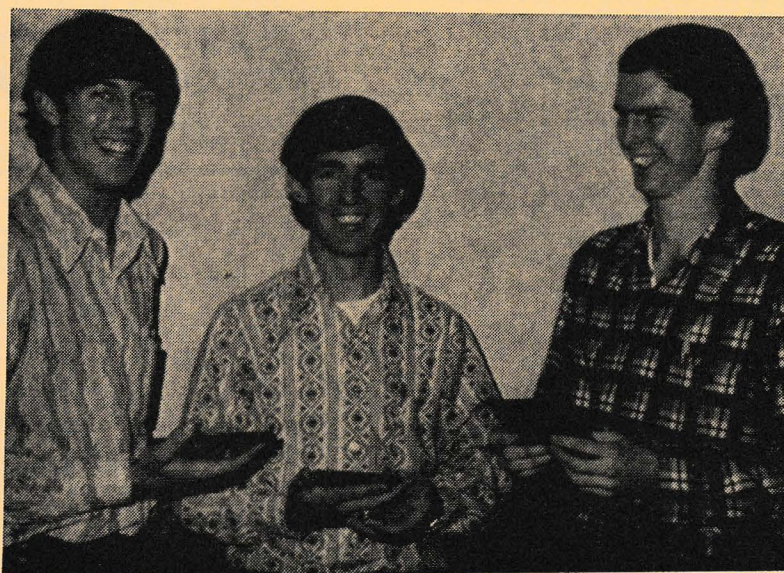
It was a dress-up evening and beau-

ty abounded in formal and semi-formal attire. Many ladies chose Valentine red or pink, and lovely corsages were in evidence.

A highlight of the evening was the selection of "Sweetheart of 1972," chosen by ballot of those present,

Miss Dinah Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Evans of Agricola, was selected, and prolonged applause greeted the announcement. She was presented a long - stemmed American Beauty rose by SBA President Ronnie Walker.

## Three Clarke Panthers Named "All Conference"



KEN LOVELL, WAYNE BUFFINGTON, RANDY REED

On the evening of Thursday, March 2, Clarke College participated in its first Deep South Conference tournament, and the Panthers staged an upset over the Conference favorite, Daniel Payne College of Alabama.

Following a narrow defeat by Brewer State on Brewer's home court, the Panthers took a fourth place finish in the tournament.

Clarke College was the only team with three of its members named to "All Conference." Awarded the coveted "All Conference" plaque were Ken Lovell of Memphis, Wayne Buffington of Jackson and Randy Reed, also of Memphis. Receiving Honorable Mention was Mike Helmer of Pioneer, La.

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**March 25**

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## Across The Development Desk

Something brand new and exciting is in the offing for the Development Program at Clarke College. It has been in the planning stage for several weeks and the Trustees officially launched it with their action at the January 1972 meeting of the full Board. The "something" is THE CLARKE COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S CLUB.

The purpose and objectives of the Club will not be formally worked out until the end of the current year, when a membership has been established. But the basis of membership will be philanthropy. It will be a "bringing together" of people who make contributions to the college, either in lump sum or in gifts totaling \$1,000 or more during the calendar year.

THE CLARKE COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S CLUB will, of course, be small — perhaps fewer than two or three dozen members, and the "bringing together" will be no more than once or twice a year. It will, however, be a **unique club**, with membership composed of individuals possessing unusual insight and understanding of church-related colleges, and who have taken sacrificial action to make sure Christian, non-tax-supported institutions, such as Clarke College, continue to hold their vital role in the field of higher education.

You'll be hearing more about THE PRESIDENT'S CLUB, but in the meantime you are cordially invited to become a member. Special Charter Membership Certificates will be issued to those donors who qualify during 1972, the year of the Club's founding. . . . Charles Higgins

## Clarke Receives Handsome Property Gift

Honorable R. Stanley Majure, prominent Clarke Alumnus of Newton, has deeded to Clarke College his family residence and a number of adjoining lots with an appraisal of more than \$15,000. By terms of the deed Mr. Majure retains a life estate in the residence which he will continue to occupy throughout his lifetime. The additional lots were given with no restrictions and the College would be free to make such disposition or use of them as it might choose. The entire gift is undesignated.

This generous gift of property is an expression of Mr. Majure's long-time love and loyalty to his Alma Mater. He was a member of the first graduating class, the Class of 1912. Also, he served for many years as a Trustee of the College.

Mr. Majure has chosen one of the most advantageous methods of philanthropy, a method with a number of benefits both to the donor and the recipient. By giving the property during his lifetime, Mr. Majure has the satisfaction of knowing that there is no way his intentions concerning his gift can go astray. Also, there are some tax advantages to this type of gift given during a donor's life over the same gift being specified in a will. Additionally, the College benefits because there is no delay or expense involved with probate proceedings; the appraised value of the property adds immediately to the financial strength of the College; and property given in this way does not come under the old Mortmain Statutes with the requirement that it be disposed of within ten years, as is true of property bequests in wills.

Through his vision, Stanley Majure has helped provide for the continuation of the Christian objectives and high ideals of Clarke College. We are indeed grateful.

## What Is Christian Education?

(Excerpts from an address by Dr. Charles Trentham, Knoxville, Tenn.)

"Christian education is the kind of education which is free to respect the Christian approach to knowledge, when all scientific probing and philosophical pondering has been done and all our clever theories have been aired.

Christian education is education in which the Christian Scriptures are taught in a Christian climate. The teaching of the Christian Scriptures cannot be given into the hands of the state for the very nature of the Scriptures is such that their truth lies open only to those who reverently acknowledge that they were inspired by the Holy Spirit of God and are to be interpreted by those who acknowledge their dependence upon the same Holy Spirit for their enlightenment.

Christian education is not Christian unless it is education and education is not Christian simply because it is separated from the state.

Christian education provides growth and development of the total person — that we may be like the child of Nazareth who advanced in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man. Where will you find a more profound and comprehensive definition of personal growth than that?

Christian education is concerned with the lifting of youth to the highest level of existence."

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## "COLLEGE FOR A DAY"

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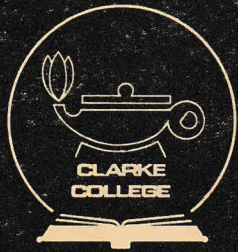


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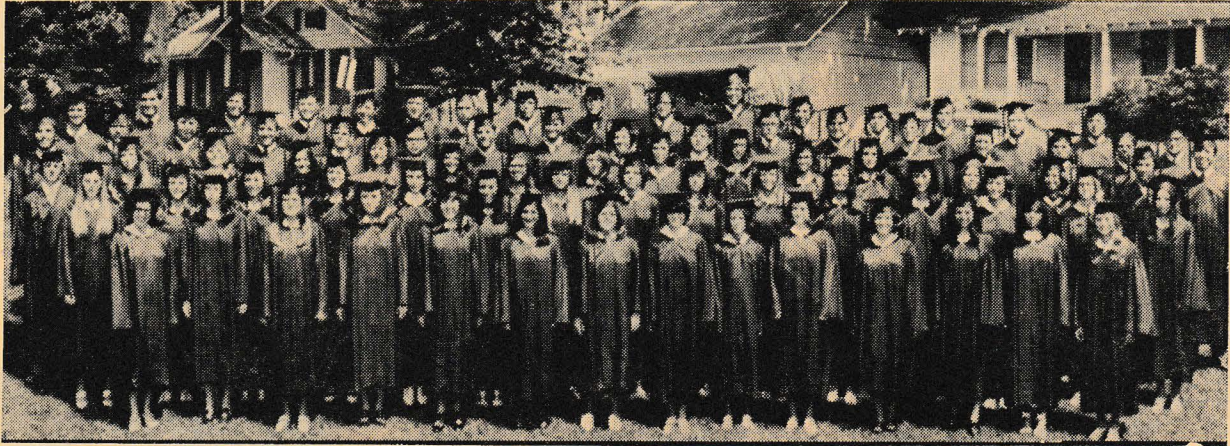


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NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

JUNE 1972



### The President Speaks . . .

CONGRATULATIONS to our 1972 graduates! All of us were thrilled as we saw you receive your Associate in Arts degrees on Thursday, May 18. We thought of how you came to us only two years ago from many areas and many different backgrounds; yet there was something of a common spirit that immediately bound you together and bound you to those of us who are in places of responsibility here through the years. You are now a vital part of the large Clarke College family.



We hope we have made some contribution to your lives during these two brief years you have been with us. We know you have made a significant contribution to Clarke and to its ministry. We appreciate your high purpose, wholesome attitude and excellent spirit.

As you go on to higher levels of education and move out into wider fields of service, our interest and prayers will go with you. We have high hopes for your future.

W. L. Compere

### Class Of 1972 Receives Associate In Arts On May 18

In a setting of dignity and beauty, underlined by a current of joy, sixty-nine sophomores participated in graduation activities on Thursday, May 18, and the day was climaxed as they received diplomas from the hand of Clarke College President, W. Lowrey Compere. In addition, thirteen students, classified with this graduating class, will be eligible for their diplomas following the Summer Session, 1972.

The sanctuary of First Baptist Church was filled for both the morning Commencement Service at 10:00 A.M. and the Graduation Exercises at 6:00 P.M. Family and friends of the graduates came to be a part of a significant moment in the life of each young person involved.

The Commencement Service was an hour of worship, and provided an oasis of calm and a time for contemplative thinking in the hubbub of excitement surrounding graduation. The Clarke College Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. James McElroy, sang the tone poem, "O Blessed Jesus," by Palestrina. Just preceding the Commencement Sermon, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Adams sang, "Hear My Prayer," an arrangement provided for the occasion by Mr. Adams,

who is a member of the Clarke Music Faculty.

Rev. Dennis Hale (Clarke '59), now a missionary to Spain under the Foreign Mission Board, SBC, presented to the graduating class and to the other members of the congregation at the morning service the need for Christian young people to find places of service in today's chaotic society. He suggested that there are conditions for such service: a person who would be helpful must be able to serve by being prepared; by being aware of the needs of the world; by being alert to the possibilities for service; and by being willing to do whatever task presented itself.

Using as the outline for his sermon a Spanish folk tale of Creation, Mr. Hale related that as God created the world the scientist said, "How are you doing it?" The Philosopher said, "Why are you doing it?" Selfish Man says, "May I have it when it is completed?" The Christian says, "How Can I Help?" Mr. Hale concluded that there is no need for the Christian to fear the approaches made by other men as they attempt to understand the world, but that the

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# ALUMNEWS

## Class of 1955

Dr. Jerry P. Moore received recognition for scoring in the 90th percentile on an examination given several hundred Pathologists in the United States. Dr. Moore excelled 9 out of every 10 pathologists taking the examination.

## Class of 1960

Raymond Wilson has moved from Greenville, MS to the pastorate of Five Points Baptist Church, Northport, AL 35476.

## Class of 1961

Rev. and Mrs. Sam E. Graham (Ida Mae Denley) announce the birth of Amanda Michelle, April 28. Amanda joins Scott, age 7 and Melony, age 4.

## Class of 1966

Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Owen (Patsy Gray) are living in Morganton, NC where Ronald is Assistant Pastor at Birchmont Baptist Church.

## Class of 1968

Harvey W. Carr is the New Minister of Music for Harland's Creek Baptist Church (Holmes). Mr. and Mrs. Carr make their home in Greenville, MS.

## Class of 1970

Wedding bells ring in June for Sharon Watson who will marry Lt. John P. Wrynn of Youngstown, Ohio. Following her years at Clarke, Sharon earned the B. S. degree and now makes her home in Pensacola, FL.

Frank Blackwell was honored for his academic achievement at a banquet for student teachers in Rapides Parish, Louisiana. A senior history education major, Frank was recognized as the student teacher in a secondary school with the highest grade point average. He has done his student teaching this spring at Alexandria Senior High School.

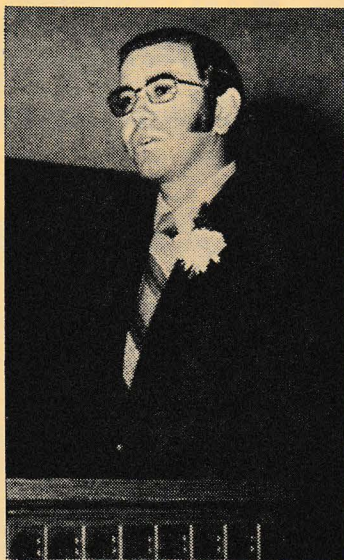
## Class of 1971

Kenneth Ray Pegram has been named recipient of the Una Touchstone Owen Scholarship for 1972-73. This is one of the highest honors given at MC.

— We have on file in the Alumni Office a recent newsletter from the John Jacobs family in Guyana, South America. If you would like a copy please let us know and we'll reproduce it for you.

## CLASS OF 1972—

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Christian must always take the attitude of being **helpful** and, in so doing, he is in a proper position to lead men to know the Creator.



REV. DENNIS HALE

At the Evening Hour of Graduation, the music featured a contemporary setting for the Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, "Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace," presented by the Concert Choir and Clarke Singers, led by Mr. James McElroy.

Dr. Harold Fisher, President of Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Mississippi, addressed the Class of 1972 and challenged them to greatness. He pointed out that theirs was the choice as to the role their individual lives would play for good or ill and he selected several areas of life to say to them, "Be noble, lift up your sights and aim for the best." Dr. Fisher's concern was that there is too much of mediocrity in Christian living and in every area of daily life. It was his contention throughout his address that too often young people do not set for themselves the goals that must be reached by stretching; that young people are too often lacking in the discipline necessary to do the stretching. The challenge Dr. Fisher made to the graduating sophomores of Clarke College was direct and forthright and was well-received by the Class.

Following Dr. Fisher's address, Academic Dean Victor Vaughn moved to the platform to make the Formal Presentation of the Class of 1972, and then he assisted as Dr. Compere presented each graduate in turn with a diploma signifying the fact that the Associate in Arts Degree had been awarded.

Present for the Graduation Exer-

cises were several members of the Board of Trustees and Dr. Compere recognized these as they sat with the faculty and staff. Present were Chairman of the Board and Mrs. Reuben Lott of Laurel, Rev. and Mrs. Jamie Tynes of Heidelberg and Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Reynolds of Newton.

Of the sixty-nine members of the graduating class, seven were given special recognition, and presented Certificates, for their inclusion in "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges." The seven were Winford McInnis, Jr., Kenneth Moore, Wil Philpot, Madelon Reed, Jackie Valentine, Jack Varnado and Janet Williams.

The Honor graduates of 1972 were led by Miss Madelon Reed who stood first in the class, followed by Miss Glenda Elaine Black. Other honor students include Sharon Blackwell, Cathy Collins, Barbara Sue Daniels, Kay Darnell, Mike Davis, Patsy Fulton, Joy Hall, Winford McInnis (Special Honors), Beth Pilgrim, Herbert Reed, Jr., Barbara Smith (Special Honors), Sonja Stanford, Jackie Valentine, and Janet Williams (Special Honors).



DR. E. HAROLD FISHER

## DR. O. P. MOORE RETIRES

The closing of the academic year of 1971-72 brought retirement to a long-time member of Clarke's faculty. Dr. O. P. Moore has served in various capacities on the Newton campus for over twenty-three years. He has worked in the area of Public Relations and student recruiting in addition to his teaching responsibilities.

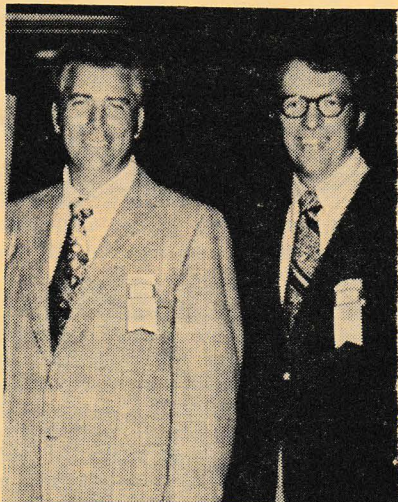
The Board of Trustees directed that a letter of recognition and appreciation be sent to Dr. Moore with an appropriate tangible expression of gratitude for his service of such longstanding. This letter was read, and the presentation was made, by

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# Glimpses Of Alumni Luncheon



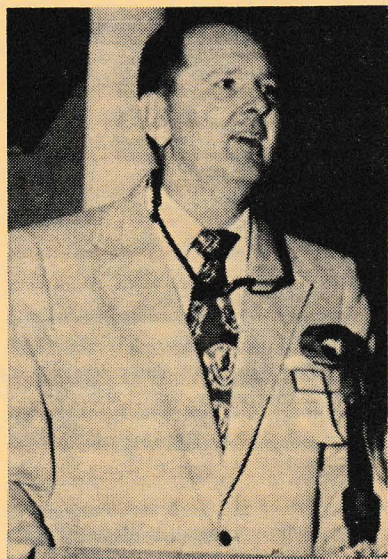
On campus, representing the entering classes of 1908 and 1909, were the Mason Waltons of Newton. Friends and supporters of their alma mater through the years, the Waltons were warmly greeted by their many friends at Clarke.



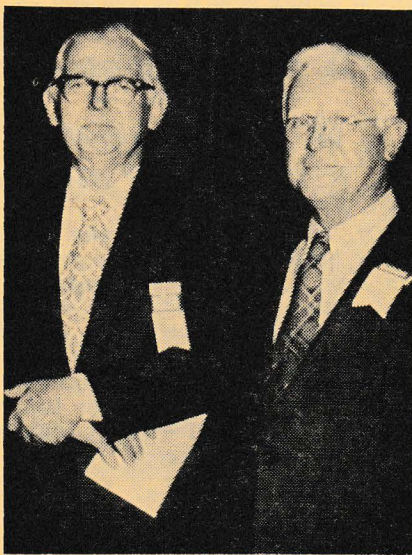
Two young men from Columbia drove up to Newton for the occasion. Bill Wilkerson, Clarke '59 (l) and Billy Jack Green, Clarke '62 (r) are both members of the staff of First Baptist Church, Columbia.



Proud parents of a graduating son and soon-to-be daughter-in-law, the James Walkers, Clarke '52, were on hand for the festive luncheon. Rev. Walker is pastor of Flora Baptist Church. Their son, Ronnie, served during 1971-72 as Clarke's first Student Body Association President.



Dr. James Booth of Eupora is a busy man but he always finds time to support Clarke College. Through the years since his graduation in 1947 he has served on Clarke's Board of Trustees, in various capacities in the Alumni Association and currently is working with the Development Council. He is pictured presiding at the Alumni Luncheon in his role as President of the Alumni Association.



"Those were the days" . . . the 1920's, that is, when S. T. Roebuck (l), Clarke '25, and Drewry Kendrick (r), Clarke '24, were students on the Newton campus. Mr. Roebuck is a prominent Newton attorney and Mr. Kendrick has just recently retired from a career in the public school systems of Louisiana and Mississippi. Mr. Kendrick's home is Gulfport and this was his first visit to the Newton campus in forty-eight years.

## THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE ARE ON THE WANTED LIST!

We have some "lost" alumni and that doesn't indicate their spiritual condition — what it does mean is that we don't know where they are! If you can help us by providing addresses for any of the following 1947 graduates we would really appreciate hearing from you.

J. E. Addelton, Irene Aguillard, Ruth Lois Armstrong, Cecil H. Avery, Alice Ona Batson, Sara Frances Baylis, Elna Louise Bryan, Daisy Lucille Cooper, Eris Gwin Cooper, Nancy Virginia Cothran, Leroy Craven, James A. Dollahite, John Dugard, Xer Louise Evans, A l a g e n e Fortenberry, Eva Pearl Graves, Willie C. Graves, Sr., Charles M. Greene, Jr., Wallace James Harrell, Sr., Albert Odessa Jenkins, Martha Elaine Jones, Claite Lewis, Elsie Lewis, Florence Ella Lewis, Faye Miller, Dorothy Michell, Arrell Lloyd Mullins, Geraldine Parish, Mrs. J. F. Parker, Mary Lucy Parsons, William Kell Penton, Eldon H. Peavey, Floy Geraldine Pigg, H. R. Pittman, Martha Estelle Robinson, Mrs. T. C. Samples, William M. Schilcting, Earl H. Sizemore, D o r o t h y Jean Smith, Ernestine Sterling, Hubert M o n r o e Stokes, Ernestine White, Ruby Williamson.



## Thoughts On "Planned" Giving . . .

HAVE YOU BEEN GUILTY of giving to some organization, or cause that you had never heard of until the moment of the plea? Or have you been guilty of making just a "token" contribution to a really worthy cause, because the solicitor caught you a bit short at that moment? Doesn't it all boil down to planning rather than impulsively giving?

Give some serious thought to these  
**PLANNED GIVING IDEAS:**

THE PRESIDENT'S CLUB, whose membership is composed to \$1,000 contributors (or more), is taking shape. At this writing there are a half-dozen members. No formal recognition of membership in this club has yet been made but we are certainly aware and highly appreciative of these generous friends . . . and, indeed, recognition is forthcoming. Would you consider becoming a part of this organization? The money you contribute is actually an investment . . . an investment in Christian young people . . . an investment in the college's future . . . and investment in Kingdom Service!

THE TRUSTEE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM is underway again this year, as Clarke students enroll for the 1972-73 session. Last year twenty-seven individuals provided one or more of these \$300 Scholarships . . . and a much larger number of people made contributions toward the program. These Scholarships were passed on to some of our most outstanding students . . . some of whom could

not have been at Clarke College were it not for that scholarship . . . some of the recipients were volunteers for missionary service, the preaching ministry and other church-related vocations! How glad we are that you cared . . . that you gave!

APPRECIATED SECURITIES — Stocks, Bonds, a Life Insurance policy you no longer have any real need for, a Christian Trust Fund, a Gift Annuity . . . these are all very excellent ways of providing a "planned" gift for Christian higher education, and through tax savings the gift may cost you very little.

BY THE WAY, HAVE YOU MADE A WILL? If you haven't the State has made one for you! And that's the truth! Do you want some information about all these annuities, bonds, wills, etc? We'll send you some free brochures that deal honestly and objectively . . . no double-talk and no obligation.

WE'VE GOT A TWELVE-MINUTE Color-slide and cassette-recorded program all about Clarke College that we'd like to show you. We could show it to your church, club, or just some friends and neighbors. It's the latest word about your **Mississippi Baptist Junior College!** Give us an invite, and if we have some schedule conflict we'll simply lend it to you and . . . ZHAM . . . you have an instant program.

Charles Higgins

DR. MOORE (Continued)

Dr. W. L. Compere on graduation day, May 18.

Dr. and Mrs. Moore, who make their home near the Clarke campus in Newton, are busy with plans for the future. They anticipate several tours of the type they have guided in the past and Dr. Moore has a new book almost ready for publication.

Friends and alumni will be happy to know that the Moores are still to be found at 102 Pinecrest, Newton.

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT HEAD ELECTED 1972-73



David McArthur of Moss Point, Mississippi, was elected during the concluding weeks of the Spring Term to take office as President of Clarke's Student Government Association for 1972-73.

A church music major, David has served his home church, Kreole Avenue Baptist Church as Minister of Music. During his freshman year at Clarke David has participated in The Concert Choir and the singing ensemble, "The C's."

Already the young president has spoken out as he welcomed alumni, family and friends to the Alumni Luncheon on graduation day in the Clarke Cafeteria.

In a recent chapel meeting David spoke briefly of next year at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College and his enthusiasm was reflected in the student body as they warmly applauded his desire that "we all work together and make Clarke the best school it can possibly be."



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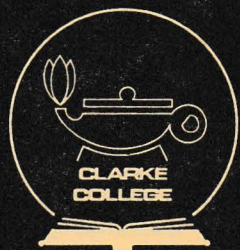
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### The President Speaks



W. L. Compere

"How Alumni Can Help in Student Recruitment" is the title of a pamphlet just off the press, published by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"Finding good students who will profit from the purposes and objectives of our schools can be a challenge to everyone who has graduated from a Baptist college," says the writer of this folder, emphasizing the importance of guiding students toward our Baptist schools and offering valuable suggestions about how that can be done.

Many Clarke alumni have been doing this very thing across the years—encouraging others to get their first two years at Clarke College. They send names of prospects to the Admissions Counselor and from time to time bring prospective students to the campus. This has been a great source of help and many of our finest students are those enlisted by our alumni. Even at this point in the summer there is still time to reach those students who have not made their decision as to where they will go. Alumni can be helpful to them in making this choice.

Copies of this new folder will be made available by the Admissions office to interested alumni. We hope many former students will be alert during this next school session for those students who need and could profit by the educational opportunities offered at Clarke.

"You can perform no more valuable service than sending the name, address, and telephone number of a prospective student to the admissions office."

### Sixty-Fifth Academic Session Opens

The 1972-73 Academic Year opens Monday, August 28th and anticipation is running high on the campus of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College as applications for admission approach a six-year-record-level. According to Academic Dean Victor Vaughn, as of August 1st applications stood 37 per cent ahead of the same date last year.

The first day of activities will begin with Orientation which will include a special welcome to students from the City of Newton. Representing Newton will be Clarke alumnus, Mayor Elliott McMullan and hospitality gifts will be presented to the students on behalf of the Newton Chamber of Commerce. Mayor McMullan has proclaimed the week of August 28 as "Clarke College Week."

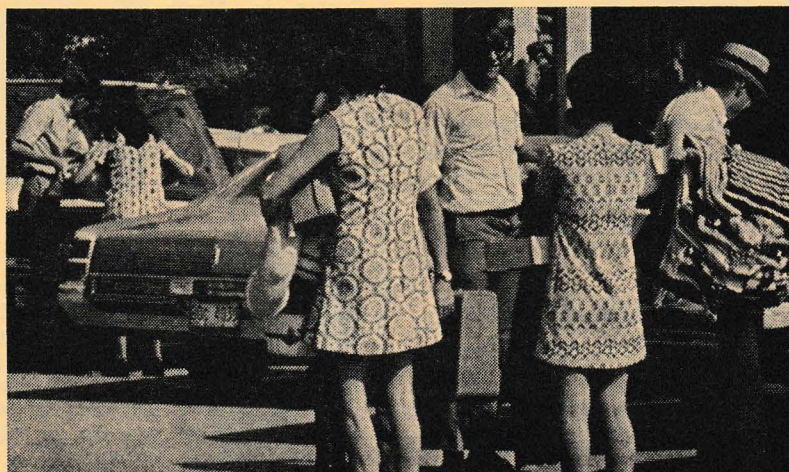
Residence halls will open on Sunday, August 27th, and the Cafeteria will serve the evening meal on that day. Full cafeteria service will begin on Monday, August 28th, and according to Cafeteria Manager, John Holfield, the public will again be served

for Sunday lunch, beginning September 3rd.

The College Calendar for 1972-73 reflects Clarke's use again this year of the highly successful Early Semester Plan. This program, first tried last year, met with overwhelming approval from students, faculty and administrative staff. The fall session on the Newton campus will conclude on Friday, December 22nd, thus eliminating any final examination "hold-over." The College is able to completely close for Christmas with all semester work accomplished.

The Independent Study Program, pioneered at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College, has been expanded for the upcoming academic year, and several students will be enriching their college experience as they face the challenge of "studying on their own." Mr. James Spencer will be working with the Academic Dean in the general oversight of this program, and students will be given ample guidance as they work their way through materials in various fields

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Clarke College students unload cars, bid good-bye to families and say "hello" to a new school year.

## ALUMNEWS

### CLASS OF 1911

Mr. Claude B. Cross, Attorney, now residing in Boston, Mass., received the Honorary Degree, Doctor of Juridical Science, from Suffolk University in the spring. Mr. Cross was cited for "giving aid and comfort to countless people through legal defense . . . giving sagacious counsel to men of all stations."

### CLASS OF 1936

Robert M. Parker was recently elected as President of the Portsmouth (Va) Education Association. Mr. Parker has held appointments with the Virginia Dept. of Vocational Rehabilitation and has been a probation officer with the Portsmouth Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

### CLASS OF 1947

Chaplain Charles L. Phipps received the Doctor of Divinity degree on July 23rd from the Evangelical Bible College and Seminary in Chicago. Chaplain Phipps is now serving as Vice President of the National Chaplain's Association for Youth Rehabilitation and program chairman for the National Convention in Atlanta in October.

### CLASS OF 1961

Clyde Greer has moved to First Baptist Church, Ellisville, MS as Minister of Music, Education and

Youth. The Greers have been in Ellisville since June 1.

### CLASS OF 1962

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Smothers (Eulene) have been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board for evangelistic work in Paraguay. Classmates will remember Mrs. Smothers as Eulene Wells. The Smothers' family now includes Charles Edward, Jr., 10, Richard Alan, 3 and Gregory Wayne, 1.

Rev. and Mrs. Ted Yarbrough have been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board for work in Guatemala. Mrs. Yarbrough is the former Glenda Mixon. The Yarbrough children are: Susan Denise 9, John Mark 7, and Timothy Everett 6.

### CLASS OF 1963

Charles Irwin was on campus recently to bring two prospective Clarke Students. Mr. Irwin now teaches Physical Education and Social Studies in Prattville, AL. He lives at 228 Rosemary Lane, Prattville, AL 36067.

Evelyn Dupree Vlahakes recently brought the Alumni Office up-to-date . . . she and her husband, Pete, have three children and make their home in Orlando, FL at 430 Climson St. (32809) where they are active in the Orlando Rescue Mission work.

### CLASS OF 1967

Charles Cone was the only recipient of the Master of Music Degree from Mississippi College in their spring graduation. There is also now a Mrs. Charles Cone, and this new family is making their home in Brilliant, Alabama where Charles is band and

choral director.

Gail Bradford Lann and her husband have served during the summer in California under the auspices of the Home Mission Board. Mrs. Lann has also been doing graduate work recently at Louisiana Tech University.

### CLASS OF 1970

Jo Ann Fite, winner of The English Education Award at Louisiana College on their Spring Awards Day, has become Mrs. Frank Blackwell. Frank, also a Clarke alumnus, and Jo Ann will be teaching school this year in Alexandria, LA.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Barnette announce the birth of Chastity Amanda Barnette on July 12th.

### CLASS OF 1971

Miss Jolyn Gomillion became the bride of Dale Germany on July 14 in Union, Mississippi.

### CLASS OF 1972

Miss Patricia Diane McDill exchanged wedding vows with Dinman Wayne Cox in Forest, Mississippi on July 15.

The Public Information Office has the following material available upon request:

- 1) Copies of Rev. Dennis Hale's Commencement Address
- 2) Copies of a recent letter from the John Jacobs family in Guyana, South America.

Write: Public Information Office, Box 440, Newton, Ms. 39345

## GOING, GOING, GONE

Over the mountains and thru the woods . . . to Ridgecrest Conference Center in North Carolina for Baptist Student Week . . . Brother J. B. Costilow and Mrs. Costilow with four Clarke sophomores.



Off to Dallas was Herbert Valentine for the meeting of Baptist College Business Managers. Mrs. Valentine accompanied him.



Nashville always offers something interesting, and representing Clarke there this summer were Academic Dean Victor Vaughn and Admissions Counselor Woodie Burt at an Admissions Workshop . . .



OLE! Dr. Charles Melton went south this summer . . . all the way to Ecuador for a preaching tour and a visit with missionaries . . .



It was to the City of Brotherly Love for Charles Higgins and family as they attended the Southern Baptist Convention in Philadelphia, PA . . .



Dr. Compere? Of course he traveled . . . and traveled . . . on behalf of Clarke College the President and First Lady had many appointments . . . many speaking engagements . . . many opportunities to represent The Mississippi Baptist Junior College.



## IT REALLY HAPPENED!

The story you are about to read is true . . . only the name has been changed!

It was August 5, 1972. Miss Sandra Smith from Jones County, accompanied by her pastor and his wife, made the drive up to Clarke College in Newton.

**Objective:** to get Sandra enrolled for the fall semester.

The first person they met on campus was Woodrow Burt, Admissions Counselor. "Good morning, Mr. Burt," said the pastor. "I'd like to introduce you to one of the finest Christian young people you'll ever meet, Miss Sandra Smith." Sandra shook hands with Mr. Burt and handed him her high school transcript. "I'd like to enroll at Clarke for the

fall semester," she said.

Glancing down at her excellent transcript Mr. Burt immediately replied, "Great! We'd like to have a hundred students like you, young lady!"

"After you've heard my story I doubt that you'll even want me, much less a hundred." Sandra's voice was low and troubled. "You see, Mr. Burt, I want to become a missionary. I've wanted to for nearly all my life. Now that I've finished high school I know that it's time to begin serious training. I studied dozens of college catalogs and brochures, including Clarke's. Recently I talked with my pastor about this. He told me that Clarke College was the best place in the world for me to begin. He said that Clarke had graduated more foreign missionaries than any other junior college in the Southern Baptist Convention, and that it is really a top-notch school. But, Mr. Burt, as much as I would like to come here, I do have this really big problem. . ."

The pastor interrupted. "You see, Mr. Burt, Sandra's parents simply do not have any money. I'm sure they will be able to do very little toward her support. Sandra is willing to work,

but from my own experience I know she cannot possibly earn enough to pay expenses. Is it possible, in addition to a job, for Sandra to get a long-term loan, and perhaps even a scholarship of some kind?"

Looking straight into Sandra's face, Mr. Burt smiled and said, "We may not be able to work out everything in one fell swoop, Sandra, but we have a scholarship here for \$300 that will sure get you started."

The exclaimed "Wonderful!!" was echoed by the radiance in Sandra's face as she took in the fact that she actually could go ahead and enroll for the fall semester. "But tell me, Mr. Burt, who's providing this scholarship for me?"

"Some person you'll probably never meet, Sandra; a friend of the College who believes in us and believes in young people like you." Mr. Burt handed Sandra the \$300 scholarship certificate and she is now enrolled for the fall semester at Clarke College . . . well on the way to carrying out what she believes to be God's purpose for her life.

**BUT WHAT OF THE NEXT SANDRA?** . . . Perhaps you would like to help provide one of these scholarships. Why not do it . . . today?

In The Spirit of Concern

Charles Higgins,  
Director of Development

## THE 1972 DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Selected by the Clarke College Administration and Board of Trustees, THE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL is composed of fifteen men and women committed to Christian higher education in general, and to Clarke College in particular. THE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL has many concerns, but primary attention is given to the financial support that is necessary for sustaining and advancing the entire program of Clarke, the Mississippi Baptist Junior College!

Mr. Cecil Adkins	Bonita
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Mrs. Reuben (Blondie) Lott	Laurel
Mr. Bill McClendon	Newton
Mr. W. P. McMullan	Jackson
Mrs. B. F. (Ruth) Mott	Newton
Mrs. Baxter (Colleen) Porter	Heidelberg
Mr. D. R. Sanderson	Laurel
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## SIXTY-FIFTH SESSION (Con.)

especially programmed for individualized study.

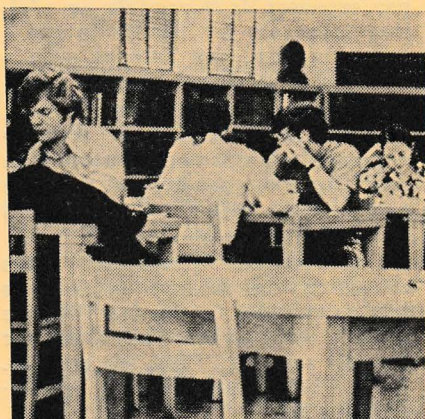
Following the highly-acclaimed "I Am Thankful to be an American" musical television special last year, Clarke College is readying three such specials for production during the 1972-73 year. These programs, taped in Meridian, are then transmitted by video tape copies throughout the state. "I Am Thankful to be an American" was carried on five TV stations last year, and each station indicated a definite interest in having more this year. On schedule is a fall show, a Christmas program, and a spring production.

## DID YOU KNOW? . . .

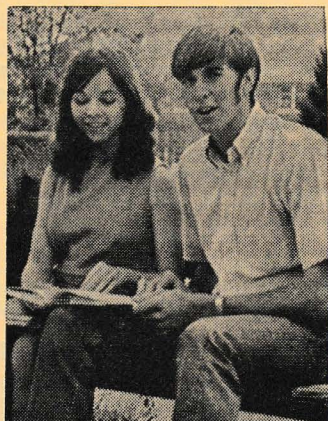
That Clarke College has MORE foreign missionaries serving under the Foreign Mission Board, SBC, than ANY OTHER Baptist junior college?

That ninety-seven young men and women on our campus last year were preparing themselves for some area of Christian ministry? . . .

## HAVE YOU HEARD? . . .



That Clarke College is among **THE TOP TWENTY SCHOOLS** in the nation in the number of students serving as Student Summer Missionaries, and that we are the **ONLY** two-year college making the list? . . .



That Clarke College has a fully-accredited liberal arts academic program? . . .

About the Independent Study Program offered to students both on and off campus? . . .



## WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Call us . . . write us . . . or better yet, come to see us . . . !

## Why A Christian College?

Historically, Baptists have sought to introduce the gospel into every environment and every situation. For this reason, Christian higher education is a missionary enterprise, bearing a witness of special and revealed truth to the minds of men. In training Christian vocational workers for all denominational enterprises, Baptist schools are fulfilling an historic role. A steady stream of pastors, missionaries, chaplains, directors of religious education, directors of church

music, evangelists, and others move out from these institutions into the life stream of the denomination.

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Moreover, the Christian college has its administration who are committed to the Christian world view. The Christian teacher's self-understanding and his understanding of his discipline find proportion and illumination in Christ.

This is not to say that public colleges and universities do not, in many cases, have most dedicated Christian men and women on their faculties, but these institutions must by their nature operate entirely on a secular premise.

In spite of the freedom of the society in which we live, severe constitutional and statutory restrictions are placed on public colleges and universities in regard to teaching religion.

Public colleges and universities can teach the Bible as one of the great pieces of ethnic literature; Christian colleges can teach the Bible as God's absolute, unique revelation to man.

Many public colleges and universities have moved more and more towards abandoning all responsibility for the moral and ethical conduct of students, either on or off the campus; Christian colleges hold that the two great documents for the governance of human conduct are still the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount.

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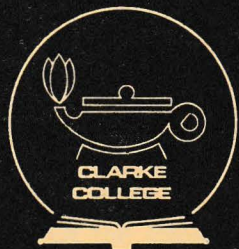
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NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

NOVEMBER, 1972

## CLARKE GUEST DAY HOSTS TWO HUNDRED PLUS

It was a busy day on the campus of Clarke College Saturday, October 28, as faculty, staff, administration and students welcomed over two hundred and thirty visitors who had come for the Annual Fall Guest Day.

The program had been designed especially to give high school juniors and seniors a good close look at college life and included a variety of activities to accomplish this purpose. Visitors were conducted on mini-tours of the campus: talked with Clarke students about life at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College; had access to faculty members in small conference groups; enjoyed lunch in the College Cafeteria and were royal-

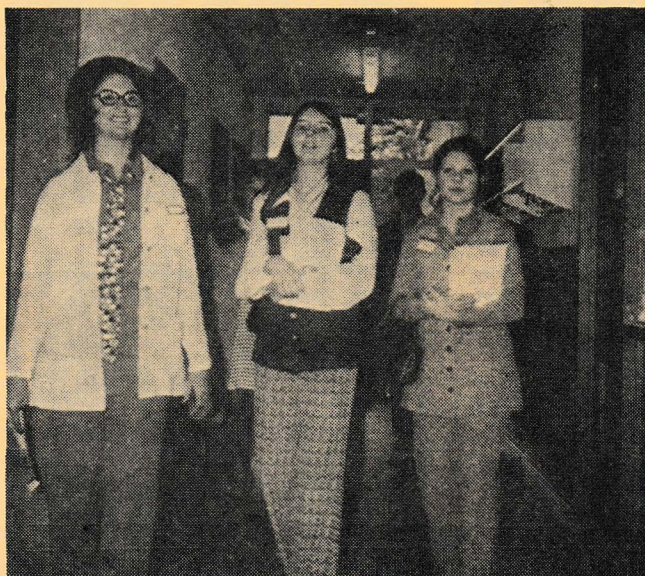
ly entertained in an afternoon session highlighted by presentations by The Grasshopper Opera Company and The Clarke College Singers. A Maroon and White Basketball Game concluded the day's activities.

Mr. Woodie Burt, Clarke's Admissions Counselor, pointed out that nearly forty seniors registered, with a comparable number of juniors, "and these are the groups we are most interested in reaching," he said. "Guest Day is 'on the way out' in lots of schools because of the expense and effort involved, and because of poor attendance in many cases," commented Mr. Burt, "How-

ever, that's not true at Clarke." Mr. Burt paid tribute as did Clarke College President, Dr. W. L. Compere, to the Alumni who supported the day by bringing young people to the campus.

Over sixty Alumni registered and attended the Alumni Meeting held in mid-morning. (See page three for additional details and photos.) Mississippi alumni came from throughout the state and were joined by several who journeyed from Louisiana, Alabama and Tennessee.

Dr. Compere expressed appreciation for the work done prior to Guest Day by students, faculty and staff.



Campus Tours were a feature of Guest Day. Miss Linda Faye Smith (left), Clarke student from Prentiss, MS, conducts a group through the College's Science Building.



Guest Day Visitors talked with Clarke College students about college life and living. Charles Boudreaux, third from left, freshman, discusses his experiences this year at Clarke.

# Reflections On A Star . . .



Astronomers tell us that the twinkling light we see from the starry midnight sky is already eons old when it first strikes the atmosphere of earth. The bright winking may have first shot its pulsing ray into space when America was an uncharted wilderness and the splendor that was Rome stood astride the world . . . thousands of years and millions of events have gone their way before a man in 1972 looks up and catches a glimpse of that pinpoint of brightness which has been on its way to his vision for so long.

Perhaps because we are aware of the enormous distance and time covered by that fragile stream of light . . . perhaps because it represents a continuation of hope as it persists in sending its blinking to whoever might choose to look up and receive it . . . perhaps because it is a reflection of a still greater Glory, the vision of a star never quite leaves one who has seriously contemplated the heavens on a clear, winter night.

A star, so much a part of the lineage of the Jewish people, heralded the birth of Christ . . . its light still radiates in symbol and song and illuminates the season we call Christmas.

A replica of that star shines each year on the campus of Clarke College. It was laboriously and lovingly made by hand but, in the cold light of day, hardly seems the stuff dreams and spirit are made of. When the star is first hung in the Recital Hall of the Lott Fine Arts Building, it is hardly more than a stage prod, getting a little worn around the edges. To the uninitiated freshmen, the meaning is still unclear.

A Clarke Sophomore, the vision of last year's glimpse of that star still shining in her eyes, stands to ex-

plain: "This is the Lottie Moon Offering Star. It's been on the campus for a long time and has been used every year since it was made by Dennis Hale, when he was a student here." She pauses, and continues softly "He's now a missionary in Spain."

As the awareness grows, so grows the desire to be a part of this star's continuation of hope . . . to reflect this star's greater Glory . . . to respond with resources . . . with life.

During the month of November the students at Clarke considered the annual Lottie Moon Offering and decided what might be both a realistic and challenging goal. It was suggested that a certain sum of money representing each missionary who had attended Clarke College might add up to such a goal. A count was made of missionary personnel serving under the Foreign Mission Board and it was determined that twenty-seven, more than any junior college can boast, attended Clarke. The students then voted to give \$90 representing each missionary, for a total Lottie Moon Offering for 1972 of \$2,430. Lights on the Star will be turned on as the offerings are received and there will be a dedication service when the entire star is glowing.

The reflections of the Clarke College Star still wink around the world in the hearts of those who once seriously contemplated it and who now serve abroad. One missionary wrote: "I am sending my own Lottie Moon gift through the College this year. The check will come to you in a few days. I remember how much that means, and how much my own life was touched and changed."

Yes, the Star shines brightly at Clarke College again this year.

## ALUMNEWS

### CLASS OF '55

J. Harrell Sinclair has recently moved to First Baptist Church of Alexander City, AL as Minister of Music-Youth, (Zip Code 35010).

### CLASS OF '60

A new daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Truett Golman, Ercia Engelyn, born October 2, is greeted by brothers Brian and Brad. The Golman's mission field address: 47-1 Hwai Ning Street, Taipei, Taiwan, 100, Republic of China.

### CLASS OF '63

Captain and Mrs. Robert Trapnell (Neola Jean Helmbold) announce the birth of Kimberly Norinne, born September 18. The Trapnells live at 961 Casanova Avenue, Monterey, CA 93940 and Neola Jean describes herself as "a busy and happy mother and homemaker."

### CLASS OF '66

Nai Nai Everett is at Ole Miss, working on a Master's in theater arts. She has recently been placed in charge of debating activities at the university, and has directed several of the recent theater productions.

### CLASS OF '69

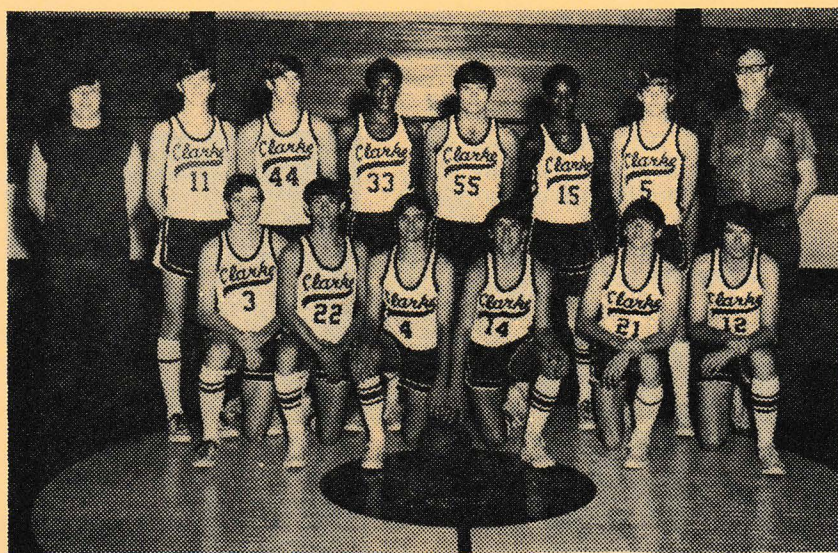
J. W. Baker recently became pastor in Silver Creek, MS. His new address is Rt. 2, Box 135.

### CLASS OF '71

The Kenneth Pegram family also welcomed a baby daughter, Melanie Jane, born August 9. The Pegrams live at 404 E. Main Street, Clinton, MS 39056.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Many companies have a program called "Matching Gifts." Alumni can make financial gifts to their college and that amount is matched by their employer. The donor's gift is thereby DOUBLED! Check with your company — you might be pleasantly surprised to discover that this policy exists—one of our recent donors did just exactly that and CLARKE COLLEGE doubly benefitted.



**MEET THE PANTHERS:** (L to r back row) Ricky Pennebaker, manager; Mike Steverson (11); Ken Lovell (44); Artha Ray Pickens (33); Allen Dees (55); Marve Robinson (15); Mike Boler (5); Coach Larry Van Neste. (L to r front row) Jimmy Maxwell (3); Johnny Lollar (22); Ken Kennedy (4); Cliff Stamper (14); Don Wallace (21); Bill Sharp (12).

#### CLARKE'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

November 18—Marion Institute	Here
November 28—East Mississippi	Here
December 1—Southeastern Baptist	Here
December 7—Holmes	Here
December 9—Southwest	Here
December 12—Holmes	There
December 14—Pearl River	There
January 13—Pearl River	Here
January 16—Meridian	There
January 18—Hiwassee	Marion
January 19—Alabama Christian	Marion
January 20—Marion Institute	Marion
January 23—Wood	There
January 26—Central Baptist (Arkansas)	Here
January 30—Southwest	There
February 3—Meridian	Here
February 6—Wood	Here
February 8—East Mississippi	There
March 1-3—Deep South Conference Tournament Birmingham, AL.)	

## Organist Guild Organized

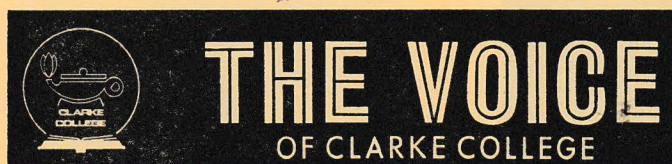
Under certain standards, and by maintaining adherence to a rather strict outline of criteria, student groups on college campuses may be organized into an American Guild of Organists Student Group.

Such a chapter has been formed on the campus of Clarke College, and it is the first time that this has been accomplished in the sixty-four-year history of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College.

With Mrs. James McElroy, of the College Music Faculty, serving as Chapter Sponsor, the group has seven members, all organ students, and has begun a full program of activities.

The American Guild of Organists is a seventy-year-old altruistic organization, dedicated to advancing the cause of worthy religious music; to elevate the status of church musicians, and to increase their appreciation of their responsibilities, duties and opportunities. The Guild has a national active membership exceeding 16,000 and Chapters in every state, the District of Columbia, and the Panama Canal Zone. Nearly 140 Guild Student Groups have been formed.

The Clarke College Chapter, under the able leadership of Edwina Robinson, a Clarke Sophomore elected Chapter President, is planning a series of programs and activities that will broaden the appreciation and knowledge of members of the Chapter. Organ Tours, Concerts, Recitals and emphases on various Guild objectives are scheduled.



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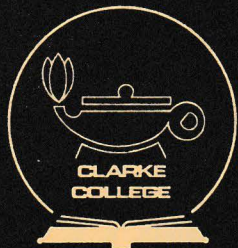
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# THE VOICE

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NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

JANUARY, 1973

## Springs Semester, 1973 Gets Underway

With the bulk of registration over, classes at Clarke College began on Tuesday, January 9, and students are well into studies for the final semester of this academic year.

According to Academic Dean Victor Vaughn, an interesting trend developed during pre-registration and registration for this semester. "More and more academically capable students are interested in pursuing individualized study in a variety of fields," he commented. "We are providing these studies for them, and recognize that this flexibility on our part provides a maximum learning opportunity for the students," continued the Dean. Four Clarke College faculty members are now involved, in varying degrees, in the Individualized Study Program. Under this system, offered in English, Psychology, Sociology and History, students work at their own rate through materials especially programmed for their use. A faculty member is available for consultation and evaluation after each section of study has been completed.

### Military and Work Experience Evaluated for Credit

The Dean also pointed out that it is now possible for the Admissions Committee at Clarke College to take into consideration both military experience and working background which might provide academic credit toward college graduation. "We are offering all of the innovative admissions procedures which are available in senior colleges in the state," said Dean Vaughn.

### Spring Enrollment Shows Slight Increase

Although registration will not close at Clarke College until Monday, January 22, the Office of Academic Af-

fairs has released enrollment figures as of January 11. These figures reveal that a significantly lower number of students left Clarke College at the semester break than has been true in years past. There has been an overall net gain in the number of full-time students and thus far three hundred sixteen different students have been enrolled at Clarke College during the academic year 1972-73.

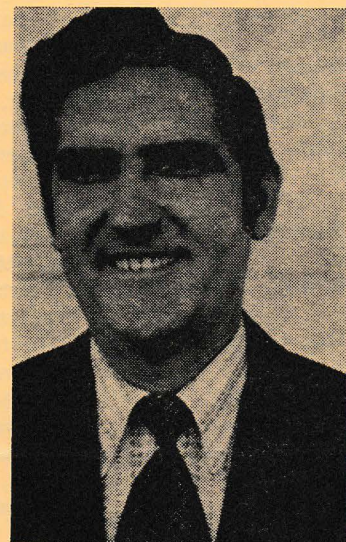
### TRUSTEES MEET JANUARY 30



REV. J. RAY GRISSETT

When the trustees convene for their first meeting of January 30, 1973 three new members will join the group and two men who have previously served will be welcomed back.

The new trustees include two who are alumni of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College and who are now both pastors in the state. Rev. Hugh L.



REV. HUGH L. POOLE

Poole, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Macon, graduated from Clarke and then finished his education at Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He has already been involved in the work of his first Alma Mater through his participation as an officer of the Clarke College Alumni Association.

A fellow-pastor, Rev. J. Ray Grissett of First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Mississippi, will also be welcomed to the board. Mr. Grissett is also a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary and is presently serving as President of the Neshoba County Baptist Pastors' Conference.

As an active Baptist layman, Ruben Cleveland of Union, Mississippi brings to the Trustee Board a background of business acumen and lay ministry. Mr. Cleveland was born in Hickory, Mississippi and has spent his adult life in Union. In 1970 he retired from his furniture manufacturing industry and has spent his time and resources in an active ministry of speaking,

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Burch, Frank Kosciusko	Davis, John D. Greenville	Newton	Jones, Mrs. E. B. Bonita
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Carter, Dr. John F. Newton	Dyer, Dr. John D. Houston	Graham, Atly Laurel	Kittrell, Mrs. W. E. Meridian
Carter, Dr. John T. Birmingham, AL	Edmonds, Mrs. G. H. Newton	Greene, C. B. Bay Springs	Knight, R. J. Mt. Olive
Carter, John Wayne Birmingham, AL	Everette, Amanda Heidelberg	Guess, Rev. Curtis Chunky	Kuykendall, Roy Newton
Case, Milton Canton	Fair, Claude Louisville	Gully, Tom Neshoba	La-Z-Boy Chair Foundation Newton
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- Mabry, Annie Rose  
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- Majure, Tommy  
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- Mavar, Mrs. Mick  
Biloxi
- Melton, Dr. & Mrs. Charles  
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- Mott, Mrs. B. F.  
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Heidelberg
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- Nakamoto, Kagenolo  
Ft. Worth, TX
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- Neshoba Baptist Church  
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- New Haven Baptist Church  
Carthage
- Newton Company  
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- Scott, William Ray  
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- Shields, C. D.  
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- Shorrosh, Rev. Anis  
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- Slay, W. E.  
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- Thomson, Alex  
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**Response During The Seventies**  
**From Clarke College Friends**

Year	Number of contributors	Amount of contribution
1970	105	\$50,398
1971	249	\$78,347
1972	243	\$92,153

TRUSTEES, (Continued)  
church construction, religious crusade promotion and for the past two years has served on the Development Council of Clarke College.

#### Former Trustees Return To Board

Returning to service on the Clarke Board of Trustees after having been "rotated off" following maximum period of service, are James Booth, M. D. of Eupora, and Mr. Leonard Melvin, Jr., an attorney of Laurel. According to Clarke President W. L. Compere, "both of these men are deeply concerned with Clarke College, and have manifested that concern through their service in previous years. We rejoice to have them with us once again."

Speaking of the new Trustees, the President commented, "These three bring to our Board a wealth of background and past interest in our institution. By their willingness to serve they indicate their interest in the future of Clarke and we welcome them wholeheartedly."

Retiring from Clarke's Board of Trustees, due to expiration of their terms of service are: Mr. Reuben Lott, of Laurel, outgoing Board Chairman; Mr. George Van Egmond, of Mendenhall and Rev. James Smith, also of Mendenhall.

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## ALUMNEWS

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#### CLASS OF '37

Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy has been named Dean at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

#### CLASS OF '48

Juanita Johnston writes from Thailand of the Christmas customs there, and sends her prayerful concern for "the folks back home." (Copies of Miss Johnston's letter are available on request from the Public Information

Office of Clarke College.)

#### CLASS OF '52

Durrell Makamson has recently moved from Durant to become Assistant Pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, MS.

#### CLASS OF '56

Letter received from Don and Jo Redmon in San Jose, Costa Rica, with greetings to Clarke College alumni and friends. (Copies of Redmond letter are available on request.)

#### CLASS OF '62

Lawrence Lipscomb stopped by the campus for a visit. His new address is Rt. 2, Box 25, Robertsdale, AL 36567. The Lipscombs, (she is the former Betty Brock), have four boys and one girl.

William Wimbs has accepted the pastorate of Eastlawn Baptist Church, Pascagoula, MS, and the Wimbs' new address is 3904 Lincolnshire Circle, Pascagoula 39567.

#### CLASS OF '64

The James E. Parkers have moved to 5806 5th Street, Meridian, MS 39301. James is now pastoring Oakland Heights Baptist Church in Meridian.

#### CLASS OF '67

Octavia Applewhite has gone to Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, MS as Youth Director.

Glenn Edwards became Mrs. Oliver Milstead on July 8, 1972. The Milsteads make their home in Wilsonville, AL (35186) at Rt. 2, Box 160. Glenn is employed with Samford University in Birmingham.

#### CLASS OF '68

A letter from Cathie Adams Griffith brings word that she is employed at Kings Daughters Hospital in Bogue Chitto, MS while her husband Wayne pastors Bogue Chitto Baptist Church and attends New Orleans Seminary. The Griffiths may be addressed at Box 187, Bogue Chitto, MS 39629.

#### CLASS OF '69

Wayne Carter stopped by Clarke

## NEW SCIENCE

### TEACHER WELCOMED

Dr. Mary Jane (Mrs. M. H.) Myers took up teaching responsibilities in the Science Department at Clarke at the beginning of this spring semester. A graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, including the doctorate in her field, Dr. Myers brings a rich background to her classes at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College. She has previously taught in the Mississippi public schools and is presently serving as President of the Association of Mississippi Science Teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers continue to make their home in Hattiesburg where Mr. Myers is affiliated with the staff of the University of Southern Mississippi and where their two sons, Jack and Tommy, are also involved with scientific education at Southern.

Describing herself as a "pied piper" who loves young people, Dr. Myers approaches her new position with enthusiasm both for the subject and for those students who will be in her classes. "Of course science is interesting," she said, "I don't know who ever started the rumor that it isn't!"

The Meyers family attend Fellowship Baptist Church where Dr. Myers serves as church clerk. The church relationship means a great deal to this new Clarke faculty member and she spoke warmly of her long involvement with Fellowship Church and her willingness to serve "wherever I can."

Faculty, staff and students are delighted to have Dr. Mary Jane Myers on the Newton campus. Dean Victor Vaughn summed it up, "She brings high qualifications and a zest for teaching that will provide a valuable dimension to our Science Department."

for a visit before leaving for Okinawa. A 2nd Lieutenant in the Marines, Wayne anticipates being in computer work during his Okinawa tour of duty.



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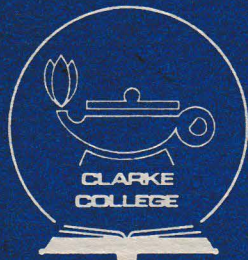
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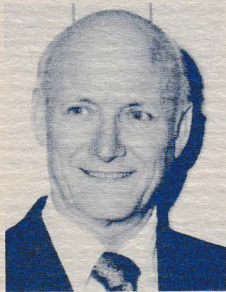
# THE VOICE

## OF CLARKE COLLEGE

NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

SEPTEMBER, 1973

### The President Speaks



Dr. W. L. Compere

As we prepare for our Fall Guest Day, October 6, the administration, faculty and students are working together to make this an interesting day for those who attend. A good program is being prepared, committees are making detailed plans for the day, students are inviting prospective students and turning in their names so they may have special invitations from the Admissions Director. All in all it appears that we are moving toward a highly successful Guest Day.

There is one other group that can have a big effect on the success of this day — the Alumni. Former students of Clarke College can have more influence on prospective students, perhaps, than any other group. They can send in names of prospective students so a special invitation can be sent out to them; they can recommend Clarke to these students; they can get a group of prospective students together and bring them on Guest Day. We are especially eager to have high school seniors and juniors.

Many of our Clarke Alumni always come through in a fine way on these special occasions. I hope that still more will respond this time and bring a group to Guest Day.

### Sixty-Sixth Academic Session Underway

Following orientation, testing, scheduling, and "get-acquainted" socials, classes began at Clarke College on Tuesday, September 28. Registration figures reveal that enrollment at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College is running slightly ahead of this same time last year. The largest number of applications since 1965 were received during this summer, and as of September 1, enrollment stood at 222. Registration will remain open until September 10, and it is anticipated that several additional students will be enrolling before that time.

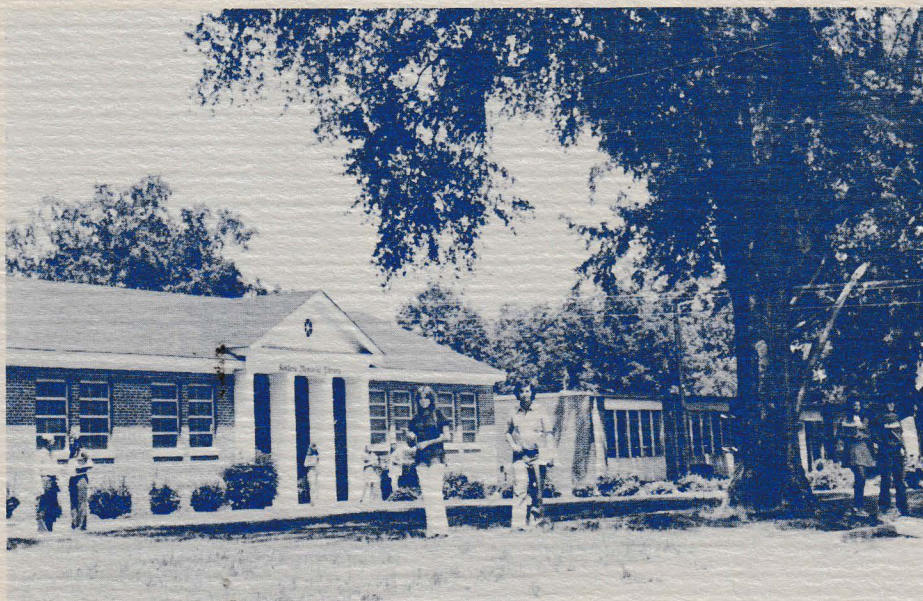
#### New Faculty and Staff

Much of the credit for the increase in applications during the summer should go to Clarke's new Admissions Director, Mike Miller. According to Mr. Charles Higgins, director of Development and supervisor of the area of recruiting, "Mike really did an outstanding job this summer. He worked hard and steadily in making personal contacts with students and their parents, and his work has paid off in the number of applica-

tions, and the number of new students actually enrolled." Mr. and Mrs. Miller came to the Clarke campus from Tuscaloosa, AL, and Mrs. Miller is serving as Resident Advisor in the Women's Residence Hall.

Filling the position of Dean of Men, and teaching in the areas of Speech and Bible, is Mr. Ed North. Mr. North is a graduate of Louisiana Tech, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and the University of Southern Mississippi. Elected "Teacher of the

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The Clarke College campus is a lively place as new and returning students find their way to the first class sessions of the sixty-sixth annual session.

## Talking About Development



Charles Higgins

Elsewhere in this issue of THE VOICE, you will find information regarding the Trustee Scholarship Program results for 1973, and current information regarding our Alumni Living Endowment Club. The Alumni Club will continue accepting charter memberships through the 1973 calendar year. In the meantime, the finances that this club provides for — the operating expenses of the college — are extremely important! If, as an alumnus, you have not become a part of this organization I urge you to do so, today. And our alumni officers — Hugh Poole, Elsie Word, and Woodie Burt, join me in this urging. Clarke College wants and **needs** your support.

In October and December, all the "Friends" of the College, and all the alumni will be receiving invitations to respond to our THIRD ANNUAL FUND. Last year's receipts from the Annual Fund campaign made the all-important difference between the College operating in the black or in the red!

Thank you for your constant interest and support.

### SIXTY-SIXTH . . .

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Year" at Bogue Chitto, MS for 1971-72, Mr. North brings a strong background in counseling and student relations to his new positions at Clarke. He and his wife and two daughters make their home on the Newton campus.

Mr. Robert Pepper, a graduate of Wood Junior College and Mississippi State, is going to be known as "Coach" at Clarke College this year, and he will be directing a new and broadly-structured program of Intramurals. The intramurals will be designed to include every student who wants to participate, and, hopefully, will take Physical Education from the "have to" to the "want to"

## Guest Day Set For October 6

"From Where You Are . . . To Where You Want To Be" is the theme for the annual Fall Guest Day, set this year for Saturday, October 6. In anticipation of a big crowd of high school students, parents, and returning alumni, the Student Government Association, under the leadership of President Millard Caulder and Vice-President David Carr, has begun committee work to insure the effectiveness of the day's activities.

### Tours Scheduled

Campus tours, culminating with a reception hosted by President and Mrs. Compere, will begin the activities following registration in the College Library. Visitors will have a

category. Church Recreation will also be a feature of Clarke's physical education department this year as Mr. Pepper directs students interested in pursuing this area as a church-related vocation. Clarke will field a varsity baseball team in the spring semester and Coach Pepper looks toward an exciting season as he prepares the inter-collegiate schedule. Mr. and Mrs. Pepper have purchased a home in Newton, and Mrs. Pepper will be teaching music through the facilities of the public schools.

### Speech and English Labs Initiated

Several freshmen students were puzzled to find that "labs" were scheduled as an adjunct to their speech and English classes. Academic Dean Victor Vaughn points out that "these labs are in keeping with the educational approach at Clarke College. They are designed to provide the necessary small-group setting for learning opportunities. The traditional classroom lecture will still be the foundation of the Speech and English courses, but the labs will supplement by providing each student an opportunity to discuss the material presented in the lecture. The labs in speech are especially designed to provide the student with myriad communication skills, including those of careful listening and intelligent discussion."

"first hand" look at the excellent facilities Clarke affords students, and will have ample opportunity to ask any questions concerning life at The Mississippi Baptist Junior College.

A highlight of the morning program will be a musical presentation by "Reach Out" from Southside Baptist Church, Meridian, under the direction of Minister of Music David Walker (Class of '69).

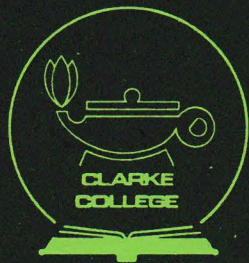
Conferences with faculty members and administrative personnel will provide both young people and their parents an opportunity to focus on specific areas of interest, and to gain direct information concerning curriculum, enrollment procedures, and expenses.

### Housing Available

Visitors who will be coming from one hundred or more miles away, will be provided Friday night accommodations in the Clarke residence halls at no charge. No reservations are necessary, but such guests are requested to bring their own linens. The Friday evening meal will also be provided for these individuals, and a Sophomore Talent Show is scheduled for the entertainment of Clarke students and visitors.

### Area Representatives to Meet

The first meeting of ten very important people will occur on Guest Day. All alumni of The Mississippi Baptist Junior College, these individuals have agreed to work closely with the Admissions Office of their alma mater in recruiting and referring prospective students to Clarke. Eight of the Area Representatives live and work in Mississippi, and two are Alabama residents. According to Mike Miller, Clarke's Admissions Director, more representatives are needed, and he would be glad to talk with any Clarke alumnus who would be willing to serve in this capacity. Although a small honorarium is provided for each student a Representative recruits, the position is really one of commitment to Clarke College, and dedication to helping the College reach young people who need what Clarke offers in quality education in a Christian environment.



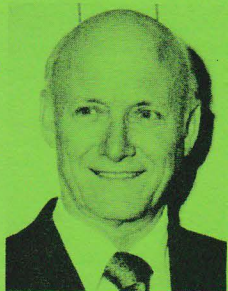
# THE VOICE

## OF CLARKE COLLEGE

NEWTON, MISSISSIPPI

NOVEMBER, 1973

### The President Speaks



Dr. W. L. Compere

But the Development goes on! Clarke College has sustained a real loss in the resignation of Mr. Charles Higgins, our Director of Development, to accept a similar position with Livingston State University. We have lost our Director, but the Development must go on. Mr. Higgins has a number of good things going, which can add a great deal of strength to the work of Clarke, and now we must keep all these programs moving. It is our purpose to continue building on the good foundation which he has laid.

The Alumni Living Endowment Club can be a source of abundant support. A good number have responded but we need many more in this movement. Don't you wish you were able to give Clarke a million dollars? Well, you can. This is, you and all the other alumni together could provide the annual support that would be provided by a million dollars in endowment. It can be done by each one doing what he can. An annual gift of \$12 is equivalent to the earnings on \$200 in endowment, \$30 equivalent to the earnings on \$500, \$60 equivalent to the earnings on \$1,000. So one by one the alumni can provide the equivalent of hundreds of thousands of dollars in endowment. Think

### Spirit of Lottie Moon—College Type

(EDITOR'S NOTE: As this issue of THE VOICE goes to press, Clarke College is once again preparing for the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As a part of that preparation, we share the following article, written by Lt. John Wayne Carter, U.S. Marine Corps, Class of '68.)

Lottie Moon—1968. It's hard to believe five years have passed since my second Christmas at Clarke College. Since then there have been some exciting Christmases — attending Mission 70, my first time on leave from the Marines, Christmas in Okinawa, etc. But nothing compares to Christmas at Clarke.

Clarke College, a Baptist junior college in Newton, Mississippi, had almost 300 students enrolled during each of my two years there, but those 300 students gave new meaning to a happening that should be heard throughout the world—the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Just prior to Thanksgiving each year, a goal is set by the students, and under the leadership of the B.S.U. Director, Rev. J. B. Costilow, the President's wife, Mrs. W. L. Compere, and the student

about that a bit and it will grab you!

October through December is the period designated for the Third Annual Fund. This is one channel for the Living Endowment gifts. Already a number of alumni and others have responded and we are hopeful that this will be our largest Annual Fund ever.

We have many things going for us at Clarke. We have a splendid student body, a competent and committed faculty, a wealth of friends who are vitally interested in our work, and the assurance that God is working out His purpose in the Mississippi Baptist Junior College.

YWA president, "hired hands" go all over Newton raking leaves, washing cars, gathering pecans, etc. Donations are made by students, faculty, and friends of the college and, hopefully, the goal is eventually reached. That is the background and mechanics—but it is not the **meaning** of Lottie Moon.

It came to different individuals in different ways. For each name and instance I mention, there are ten more that I saw and many, many more I was not privileged to experience. Briefly, though, may I share a small sense of Lottie Moon from Christmases 1967 and 1968 under the leadership of YWA presidents Vivian Powell (now Mrs. Nelson Crozier) and Sue Jones (now Mrs. Tom Chesser).

For me, it began in 1967 with Vivian announcing that the fewer than 300 students had unanimously voted \$2567 as our Lottie Moon goal. So amazed was I at the large goal I had voted for, that I almost missed the singing of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," Clarke's traditional Lottie Moon theme song. The working parties started with the sophomores, the veterans, showing the rookie freshmen of the ins-and-outs of leaf-raking, and soon the first \$100 was collected. Our Lottie Moon

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## LOTTIE MOON

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star with light bulbs indicating set amounts of money now had one bulb lit and we were well on the way to the second. Personal donations by students, faculty, and friends help build the offering, but more amazing than the \$1,000 or \$1,500 plateaus were the changes noticed in almost everyone.

Seeing Mike and Harry leading hymn singing at dorm devotions instead of sitting in the back corner (or often not even there). . . hearing Tommy pray, "God, I guess I haven't been too good of a Christian this semester; fact is, I guess only about three hours a week — during Bible class. But I'm going to change, starting right now." Sure enough, he did. Seeing Christmas-break airplane tickets being turned in and bus tickets bought. Then seeing bus tickets in turn being turned in for rides with students who promised to go out of their way to insure someone else getting home. Over and over, consecrated students and not-so-consecrated students made personal commitments to God. The climax was the final night before Christmas break when, hopefully, the last star could be lighted — our goal would be reached.

Strangely enough, both years we came to the next-to-the-last night without reaching our goal. There had been hours of prayer, hours of work, financial sacrifice by many. Although it seemed that all had been done that could be done, and all had been given that could be given, we were still almost \$500 short. There was only time for one more prayer meeting. The women began praying in their dorm and we began in ours. Sue called and said they had \$50 more. Ron called back to say the men had some more, too. It was Clarence saying, "I had saved ten dollars to get home on, but I can make it on seven." Frank and Helen, who were engaged and building their bank account, decided to give it to Lottie Moon and start again after Christmas. Others dug deeper than they thought possible. In less than two hours out of two dorms that had been virtually drained from giving during the past four weeks came over \$500. Even after

## Just What Is An ANNUAL FUND?

The question was sincere, and the alumnus was obviously puzzled, "I've never heard of an 'annual fund' — what is it, and why have we started having one every year?"

There may be a good many confused friends and alumni of Clarke College concerning this **Third Annual Fund**, now in progress . . . perhaps this information will provide some answers!

In a strict, "dictionary" sense, the Annual Fund of a college or university is a yearly solicitation of undesignated funds to supplement the operating and management budget of the institution. Most colleges and universities in the United States have Annual Funds, and many are close to one hundred years of Annual Fund emphasis. It is an established, recognized, and efficient way in which

friends and alumni can help school.

Clarke College is now promoting its **Third Annual Fund**, and it is anticipated that this emphasis will continue in the years to come. The monies received from the Annual Fund will be added to the operating budget of the college, and used to further the cause of Christian education in keeping with the objectives of Clarke College. Of course, Annual Fund gifts can be designated to specific purposes if the donor so desires.

**What is an Annual Fund?** It is a check, placed in an envelope . . . and mailed with a prayer . . . it is an expression of an individual saying, "I care" . . . it is money, and more than money . . . it is the substance of the future of Clarke College!

seeing it in 1967, I was amazed again in 1968. At midnight the men were on the campus streets singing, "Glory, glory, halleluja. . ." Faces were pressed against the windows in the women's dorm (Curfews sometimes are hindrances!) singing along, ". . . His truth is marching on."

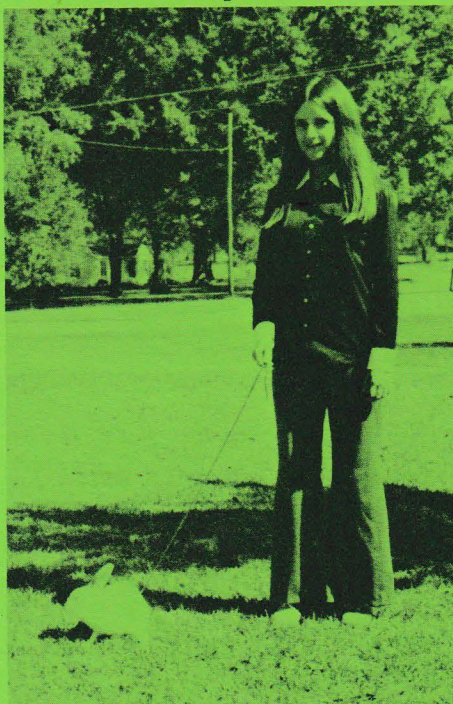
I've never understood why the money did not stop. The money kept coming in and by the next night, the last night before the Christmas break, we were far over our goals: in 1967 a total of \$3400, and in 1968 a total of \$4100. The last light was lighted, the last notes of the "Battle Hymn" were sung, and the next day everyone wished everyone Merry Christmas. The shared rides, the bus trips, and the empty and near-empty wallets and purses headed home. More important, the renewed spirits, the filled hearts and the life-long memories went home also.

My two Christmases at Clarke

were not extraordinary. It had happened that way for years, and it still happens. The Vivians and Sues have been changed to Dianas and Nancys and the Tommys to Bills, but the spirit of Lottie Moon remains. Whether reliving the sight of Dr. Compere, college president, lighting the last bulb, or of Dr. Carter (who has seen 37 Clarke Christmases as a faculty member) saying, "I'm proud to be a part of a campus where the biggest event of the year is Lottie Moon," it reminds me again of the power of God at work.

That 300 students could raise \$4100 (and almost \$2000 for Annie Armstrong three months later without raffles, sales, or gimmicks seemed almost impossible; but we learned that three hundred students plus God can do anything. That was the lesson God taught us then, and He's proved himself again and again since then. "Glory, glory, hallelujah!"

## The Campus Seen



What's more natural on a sunny October afternoon than a girl and a rabbit. . .out for a walk. . .Freshman Cathy Strickland. . .and Beersheba. . .enjoyed the fresh air. . .everyone else enjoyed the pretty sight!



Look who's joined the bicycle bunch. . .BSU in motion. . .a smile on wheels. . ."Brother C". . .he's not getting older. . .he's not getting better. . .he's just the same". . .and aren't we glad!

### Class of '64

David R. Wilkinson, pastor of Corinth Baptist Church at Purvis, has completed graduation requirements at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and has received the Master of Divinity degree.

### Class of '66

Miss Juanita West is the proud and happy recipient of a Master of Science degree from MSU. Juanita teaches in Scott County.

### Class of '67

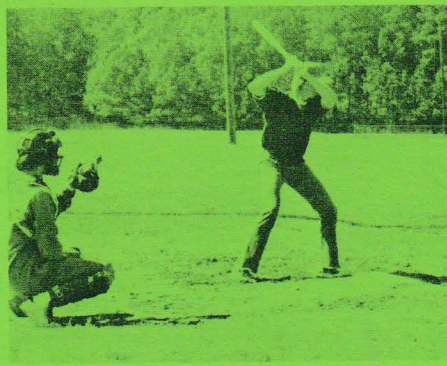
Gail Bradford Lann received a Master of Arts degree in Special Education from Louisiana Tech University in May 1973. She is employed by The University of South Alabama as an instructor at The Albert P. Brewer Development Center.

### Class of '71

Rev. Jim Richardson has been called as associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Ocean Springs.

### Class of '73

Terry L. Sutton has assumed his responsibilities as Assistant Pastor at Huffman Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama.



A home run in the making. . .with Monte Hatch at bat. . .Catcher Sam Duncan is ready for a strike or a ball. . .Outfield Ricky Tillotson is playing close in. . .Intramural baseball is the name of the Game!

## ALUMNEWS

### Class of '40

Dr. W. Levon Moore is serving as chairman of the Christian Education Commission for the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

### Class of '48

A recent letter from Juanita Johnston brings news of her visit in the States from her missionary assignment in Thailand. Her parents are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on November 24th, and Juanita is with them at 2000 South Gimon Circle, Mobile, AL.

### Class of '51

Thomas W. Copeland, Administrative Assistant and Teacher Corps Coordinator for the Jackson Public Schools has been selected for listing in "Outstanding Educators in America."

### Class of '63

James E. and Dorothy (Haggard) Parker of Meridian are happy to announce the adoption of their son, James Kevin, born on September 7, 1973.



Rev. Clyde Little of Forest (l.). . .Gary Dennis, BSU President (r.). . .talk about the BSU-sponsored Evangelistic Seminar. . .three days of intensive work. . .panels. . .dialogue. . ."how to's". . .renewal and refreshment on campus.



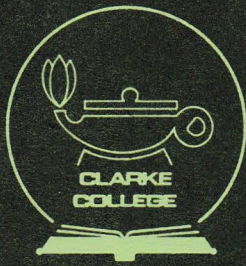
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SPRING, 1975

### TWENTY-YEAR MILESTONE



**DR. W. L. COMPERE**  
President, Clarke College

This spring issue of THE VOICE is gratefully and lovingly dedicated to Dr. W. L. Compere who in January 1975 completed a twenty-year period of outstanding and remarkable service to Clarke College, to the cause of Christian education, and to the hundreds of students who have gone out from Clarke to serve effectively in various and varied locations around the world. And to Mrs. Compere who effectively supports her husband in his leadership and exercises a rare influence among students, faculty and staff and imparts something of her own beauty and high level of culture into the lives of those who come to Clarke College.

William Lowrey Compere is a B.A. graduate of Mississippi College. He holds the M.A. degree from Peabody College; he has done two years work at New Orleans Baptist Seminary and graduate work at the University of California. He was awarded the D.D. degree by William Carey College.

Jacqueline Senter Compere is a speech-major graduate of Blue Mountain College and holds the M.A. degree from Peabody College.

Clarke College Alumni, students, faculty, staff, Trustees and friends from near and far join in a hearty salute to Dr. Compere, in sincere congratulations upon the impressive success of his 20 years in the presidency of Clarke College and in prayerful good wishes for ever increasing achievements through his future years of service as Clarke College President.



*Dr. J. F. Carter "kept under wraps" the beautiful plaque until the moment of his presentation of the tribute to Dr. W. L. Compere commemorating his twenty years of service as President of Clarke College. Mrs. Compere looks on in manner typical of the way she stands by her husband and supports his presidency of Clarke College. The plaque was a gift of appreciation from Clarke Faculty.*

## Twenty-Year Service Plaque Presented Dr. W. L. Compere in Chapel Hour

Chapel hour at Clarke College on January 29, 1975 was a very special occasion. Dr. John F. Carter, veteran professor at the Newton-based college called President W. L. Compere and Mrs. Compere to the platform and presented to Dr. Compere an elegant plaque from Clarke faculty the significance of which is expressed in Dr. Carter's message, a portion of which is printed here.

Mr. President: I have been asked by a committee of the faculty to perform a most pleasant duty. Indeed, the privilege that is mine this morning is so gratifying that it makes the duty much more agreeable than most duties. All of us recognize with humble gladness and with hearty gratitude to God the twenty years of your dedicated and highly productive service to God as President of Clarke College. The many and impressive achievements of those years are to be observed on every hand: in the new structures on the campus, and in the consecrated service to God rendered throughout the land by hundreds of men and women who received their first college training at Clarke College.

We look forward to seeing YOU at Clarke's Spring Guest Day '75 on April 5!

I am convinced that without doubt the most important service that I have been privileged to render the College was performed in January, 1955, when as acting Dean with the responsibilities of Interim President, I had the happy privilege of presenting you as the new President of the College and Mrs. Compere as First Lady of the campus. I was highly pleased because the Board of Trustees chose you to be our President, and through the years my approval of their action has grown more hearty and firm.

In recognition of and in hearty appreciation for your devoted and fruitful service to the College through these twenty years, the faculty of Clarke College has asked me to present to you for them this commemorative plaque. It reads:

DR. W. LOWREY COMPERE  
in appreciation for  
twenty years of  
dedicated, productive service  
as President of  
CLARKE COLLEGE  
Clarke College Faculty  
January 1975

In presenting this plaque, we pray that in the future God will continue to keep you in robust health, will lead you to continue to serve as President of Clarke College, and will enable you to make even more outstanding achievements.

## From Pastor To President

In the closing weeks of 1954 a Baptist Pastor faced perhaps the most difficult decision of his career. Hard decisions were nothing new to him. More than once he felt he had been divinely led to leave a comfortable pastorate with everything going well and go to a smaller, more difficult field where there was a large challenge and a need for new leadership.

But the decision which Lowrey Compere faced in December, 1954 was different. It was not whether to go from one pastorate to another, from one church to another where the basic activities and program of work were quite similar. This time the issue was whether to go from the pastorate to the administration of a college. This would be a more radical change than he had ever made before.

He knew something of the problems and difficulties of the College for he had served seven years as a Trustee and five of those years as Chairman of the Board. It was not these difficulties, however, that made him so hesitant. Difficulties he considered a challenge. He defended his negative answer to his fellow-trustees over a period of several months with the simple explanation, "I don't feel that this is my field; I am a pastor."

The Trustee committee charged with nominating a President could not accept this answer as final. In late November, 1954, they recommended to the Board of Trustees that W. L. Compere be elected President of the College and the recommendation was unanimously adopted by the Board.

So that exceedingly difficult decision had to be faced and made. After much soul-searching and prayerful consideration the President-elect came to the conclusion that this call was from the Lord. So in early December, 1954, he called the chairman of the Board to give his acceptance of the position.

Under his leadership for these two decades Clarke's small endowment of \$19,000 has grown to \$700,000 and its \$370,000 plant has grown to net worth of about \$1,500,000. The campus streets have been paved and paid

for and five of the six major buildings used by the College have been erected during these twenty years — the Library, Women's Residence Hall, Men's Residence Hall, the Science Building and the Fine Arts Building. And now some long needed housing for married students is being provided for in five new duplexes under construction at a total cost of \$100,000. Three of the duplexes have been completed and two of them are occupied. The academic program

has been strengthened and the College has grown in the esteem and affection of Mississippi Baptists.

Dr. Compere is so deeply involved in Clarke's **today** activities and formulating constructive plans for the College's **tomorrow** that it is hard to get him stopped to spend time remembering the **yesterdays** of his twenty years at the helm of the Mississippi Baptist Junior College. Despite his reluctance to have "any ado made over the passing of the 20-year

milestone," in addition to features in this issue of THE VOICE there will be other spontaneous expressions of appreciation for the work he has accomplished during the 20 years just ended and prayerful good wishes for forward steps to be achieved under his leadership in the future.

Request for an interview by a member of THE VOICE staff was kindly granted by President Compere and a brief account of that interview follows.

## The Interview

**Interviewer:** Dr. Compere, there is an expression among pastors and other Christian leaders, based upon the Biblical story of Gideon, "put out the fleece." Did you have an experience like that in your seeking to make a decision about accepting the position at Clarke College?

**Dr. Compere:** Well, I took a stab at putting out the fleece. But the fleece didn't work either way. I came to realize that God wanted me to step out on faith and accept this call to service without any props. But after I said "Yes" to the call there came an immediate confirmation of God's leading. On the very day I made the decision a great friend and former Trustee of Clarke College, Mrs. Bessie E. Kent, of Forest, passed away, leaving in her will two bequests to the College, one a cash bequest and the other for the residue of her estate. The bequests had a total valuation at that time of \$150,000 — the largest gift ever to come to Clarke and one of the largest to any Mississippi Baptist institution. In my judgment the fact that the homegoing of this wonderful friend and my decision on the position came on the same day was not a mere coincidence.

**Interviewer:** This is most interesting! Would you share other "confirming" events?

**Dr. Compere:** Along that same line, Clarke has been a beneficiary in twenty-one wills probated during these twenty years. And if I were to relate the meaningful expressions that have come from friends far and near showing their faith in Clarke's distinctive place in Christian education, there would be no cut-off point. Just let me tell you that I am never surer that I am where God wants me to be than when I learn of the effec-

tive and far-reaching service being rendered by Clarke College Alumni and when I receive meaningful expressions of appreciation for Clarke College in letters from former students.

**Interviewer:** Would you share some excerpts from those letters to be used in the coming issue of THE VOICE?

**Dr. Compere:** Well, just a few days ago I received such a letter from Terry Mahan, who graduated in 1971. He had taken the time to sit down and write some memories of Clarke and his significant experiences here. You may want to publish these memories.

**Interviewer:** What is the major difference between serving as a pastor and functioning as a college president?

**Dr. Compere:** Both positions require working with and leading people. The President must carry a heavier burden of responsibility for making decisions. Although he can delegate to others much of this responsibility as well as the corresponding authority, many final decisions must be made by him. The Pastor is freer in counseling with people because of his less authoritative role; therefore, he can develop closer relationships.

**Interviewer:** Would you tell me what you consider the greatest difficulty you have faced as President of Clarke College?

**Dr. Compere:** Perhaps the greatest difficulty is trying to stretch dollars that won't stretch — trying to make a thousand dollars meet five thousand dollars worth of needs. When I came here I blithely made the statement "We have no problems that a million dollars wouldn't solve." Now the total assets of the College have

grown by one and a half million dollars but this has not solved all the problems!

**Interviewer:** Would you share with me something of Mrs. Compere's feeling about leaving the pastorate and becoming First Lady on Clarke College campus.

**Dr. Compere:** Actually, she was even more reluctant to come than was I, but after we came she adjusted to the change in fields of service more readily than I. An incident that happened soon after we came bears this out. One of the fine Trustees, Mr. W. A. Taylor, of Louisville, knowing that this had been a hard decision for her asked how she was feeling about Clarke College now. Her reply was significant. "When I came to Clarke College I came **all the way** and I am very happy!"

**Interviewer:** What do you think has meant most to Mrs. Compere through these years?

**Dr. Compere:** Have you ever noted the sparkle in her eyes and the radiance of her face as she has spoken of Clarke College's having the largest number of overseas missionaries of any Southern Baptist junior college? Or have you stood where you could see her facial expression when the last bulb was lighted on the Lottie Moon star and the over-the-goal amount announced? Have you ever witnessed her delight in preparation for a meeting of the Ministers' Wives Fellowship? If you have, then I believe you can come up with the answer to your own question.

**Interviewer:** Agreed, "Mr. President." And there are Clarke College students from over the years, fulfilling the divine purposes for their lives in various places around the

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## Laurel Girl Is 'Most Beautiful'

Miss Gwendolyn Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Warren of Laurel, was chosen 1975 Clarke College Most Beautiful.

Winning honors is not a new role for Miss Warren, sophomore at the Mississippi Baptist Junior College. A graduate of West Jones High School, the Clarke College beauty was widely involved in many high school activities and organizations, including editorship of the 1973 yearbook, Mustang, and she won many high school honors.

At Clarke College Gwynn Warren who was Fourth Runner-Up in Clarke's 1974 Beauty Pageant was a member of the 1974 annual staff and she is active in BYW, BSU, Concert Choir, the Singers and the C's. She has played a variety of roles in dramas presented at Clarke College. Her hobbies are singing, sewing, painting, canoeing and camping. The Laurel lovely is also very active in her home church, Highland Baptist, Laurel. In addition to working with Clarke BSU groups at the Indian Mission at Philadelphia, she has done mission work in New York, Canada and Washington, D. C.

Miss Karen Jones, Meridian, was first runnerup; Miss Leita Crabtree, Vicksburg, second runnerup; Miss Gwen Elliott of Quitman, third runnerup and Miss Barbara Tillotson of Vicksburg fourth runnerup in the 1975 Clarke Beauty Contest sponsored by the College annual staff.



Clarke College, 1975, Most Beautiful: Gwendolyn Warren, center. Seated with Gwendolyn, L to R: Karen Jones and Leita Crabtree. Standing, L to R: Gwen Elliott and Barbara Tillotson.

## INTERVIEW...

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world who with one accord would echo your response to my question.

If you will indulge me one more question, let me ask that you share with readers of THE VOICE some of your dreams and goals for Clarke College as you start into a new period of service as President of the College that persistently called you to its presidency twenty short years ago.

**Dr. Compere:** We must continue to strengthen the academic program, keeping abreast of the times while holding on to spiritual values which are eternal. This is an on-going process. We need to add other facilities

to the physical plant — a physical education building, an auditorium and administration building, an addition to the Library and Learning Resources Center and still more housing for married students. I hope to see within a few years a further large increase in the College's endowment. Also, I recognize that Mississippi Baptists need a senior college in this east-central area of the state. Clarke could render a much larger service to the denomination and to the Cause of Christ as a senior college. The feasibility study on this question has revealed a real need. Now the study continues with especial attention to the potential resources for meeting the need.

## Note from Mrs. Kee

Many of our readers know that Mrs. Lander G. Kee, Instructor in English at Clarke, had surgery during the Christmas holiday season. It has been necessary for Mrs. Kee to take a leave of absence from her full teaching load. Here are excerpts from a recent communication from her.

"I wish it were possible for me to write every student who has been so thoughtful, but of course I won't be able to do that for a while."

Then she asks that we express her thanks through the columns of THE VOICE. "... tell them I do appreciate all the cards and everything they have done for me. I hope to thank them in person before long."

## From The Desk Of Dean Vaughn



January, 1975, was a unique vantage point — the midpoint of a decade that has confronted, confused, and concerned many of us. The ancient Romans named the month after Janus, the god who was guardian of portals and patron of beginnings and endings. His head is shown with two faces, one in the front facing the future and the other at the back facing the past.

Poor Janus! We rather imagine that today he would blush with shame and even refuse to open his eyes after these past five years of drastic social eruptions. Well, we were warned that the decade of the seventies would be one of change. And to any of us looking ahead, the future is beginning to look more like the impossible dream than a brave new world.

Change is virtually rumbling under our feet, which may make us feel as if everything bolted down is coming loose. Those not prepared for these changes may suffer what is called "future shock." Yet this is no time to engage ourselves in the presentiment of doom under which courage is paralyzed and the sentiment of inevitable victory under which concern is narcotized. We can treat the future neither cynically nor casually, but with the Christian commitment to a redemptive future. To us life is a problem, a task, an ordeal, something fascinating, sometimes a bit frightening, but always challenging.

Christian education isn't designed for a comfortable world. We want our students in the face of pollutions, war, racism, energy crises, poverty, depersonalization, and despair, to discover significant meaning in the present, having a sense for new horizons, the wisdom and strength for living through drastic social changes, and the lightheartedness of a confident faith in a context of hope. We feel that the keystone of a redemptive future is love, the nature of which is to be borne to God and to neighbor "with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength."

## MEMORIES OF A GRAND OLD SCHOOL

When most people think of memories they think of old age. Yet I as a young minister just starting out on my journey through life can even now look back to the school known as Clarke College and find pleasant and fond memories. Perhaps it's best to remember while you're still young while the memories are still fresh and vivid so you can keep them fresh all the rest of the days of your life. Most of you who read this are strangers to me and even some of you will think of me as one of the other generation or at least of the middle age group. Some are older than me but we all have one thing in common and that is the memory of Clarke College.

For me the memories all seem to be first time memories. The first date of my life, the first kiss, the first love, the first lost love, the first time to speak before a large group, the first soul to accept Christ through my ministry, and so many more. Of all my memories the ones that stand out most are those of the faculty, the people who opened a whole new world to me. Through the combined effort of a few dedicated persons who cared about the student as a person and not as a number a new young mind was opened up, a mind that learned not to accept anything on face value but to question everything, to look under the surface and to find out the truth for it's true value.

I can look back to such people as Miss Juanita West my Drama teacher who taught me how to stand up and

Let us move through this time-set portal into the remainder of this decade with confidence, remembering the words of the poet, J. G. Whittier as he wrote:

We shape ourselves the joys or fear  
of which the coming life is made,  
And fill our future's atmosphere with  
sunshine or with shade.  
The tissue of the life to be we weave  
with colors all our own,  
And in the field of destiny we reap as  
we have sown.

In view of a love-directed commitment to a redemptive future, our eyes must not remain upon the diversity of human writhings in the trap of existence but rather upon the opportunities that will permit us to become creative problem-solvers and cooperators with our Creator.

speak without stumbling over words, to get up on a stage and play the part of a person who never existed or one who had died long before my time. I remember Coach James Spencer who taught me not to give up but to play the game to the very end no matter whether the game was an athletic sport or the game of life. I remember a fine couple known as Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McCaugh who taught me the wonders of the human mind, the wonders of this world we call earth, and who taught me the joy of true Christian love, of the concern that a Christian should have for others. I remember the sorrow that was shared when "Pop" died suddenly yet I remember the royal way Mrs. McCaugh carried herself and I loved her for it and still do. I remember the lesson Dr. Melton taught me, that no problem is too big to handle. There are so many things I can remember that I learned from others at Clarke. I remember Dean Vaughn, Mrs. Davies, Mr. Brown (now Dr. Brown), Dr. Carter, Mrs. Chance (and English Lit.), Mr. McElroy, and President Compere.

One of the most important memories I have is the Christian influence that Clarke had on me. Clarke and all within helped me as a young minister grow in my faith and learn to seek God's will in My life. At Clarke I was given opportunities to serve Christ in the church and community. I was given two chances to serve as a student summer missionary: once in Columbus, Ohio as a Baptist student missionary and once in Des Moines, Iowa as a Mississippi BSU student summer missionary. I held my first revival while I was a student at Clarke. I had the honor to serve as the Vice-President of the Clarke College Ministerial Association for the year 1970-1971. I felt the joy of seeing men in the jail being won to the saving glory of Jesus Christ, the joy of seeing a smile on an aged persons face as the BSU visited the rest home in Meridian. Oh, there is so much to remember, to be thankful for and yet I can not find the words to explain the thoughts in my mind and heart. I can only say thank you Clarke College, Faculty, Former Students, and even you who are there now as students, for you make Clarke what it is today.

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Clarke College students of 1908 – L to R: Mrs. Zerate Fikes Walton, Mr. Mason Walton, Mrs. Ruth Fikes Jones.



Mrs. Victor R. Vaughn (left) poses as a Clarke College student of 1908 and Mrs. Mary Allen Hewlett as the 1908 teacher-chaperone.

## Down Memory Lane

## Clarke College Institutional Self-Study Sparks A Look At The School's Beginnings

Institutional Self-Study at stated periods is a way of life for colleges accredited by the Southern Association of College and Schools. Clarke College is currently engaged in such a study, a part of which requires a fresh review of the school's history. Finding three representatives of Clarke's first student body in 1908 available, some members of the staff recently enjoyed a flashback into the College's beginning. Assisted by the three representatives of another era Mrs. Gail Hamrick, Clarke photographer, constructed an interesting picture story of Clarke's earliest years.

Pictured above are three who were enrolled in Clarke's first student body and who are living out in admirable ways the ideals upon which the College was founded. Mrs. Ruth Jones of Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Mason E. Walton of Newton take pride in the fact that they were among the first students enrolled in the College and they speak with appreciation of the quality teaching, the challenging examples, and the indelible principles that characterized the school in its very founding.

Mrs. Walton has among her treas-

ured possessions the uniform she wore, including the collegiate cap. As she "made up" Mrs. Victor R. Vaughn to model the Clarke College girl of 1908, she reminisced. Said she, "We were required to be neatly dressed whenever we left the campus and to all public meetings attended we were required to wear our uniforms."

Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Walton enlisted Mrs. Mary Allen Hewlett to represent and dramatize the teacher-chaperone who was available at all times and was ever present to encourage Clarke's young ladies to maintain standards of appearance and conduct 'appropriate to cultured young womanhood.'

So it was in **yesterday's** launching of the College. . . .

**Today** new buildings and modern facilities occupy Clarke College campus and students oriented to changing culture patterns live and study in the buildings but principles, motives and objectives are the same as when Clarke College was launched in 1908.

The **future**? No crystal ball is available. And if such magic were at hand, Clarke's leaders prefer divine gui-

dance and unfaltering faith to man-made predictions.

Dr. W. L. Compere, President, instructors, members of the staff and students appreciate those men and women of another age and generation who cooperated with the guidelines of 1908. They extend a special salute to Mrs. Ruth Fikes Jones, Mr. Mason Walton, Mrs. (Zerate Fikes) Walton and others who were a part of the school's beginnings.

## MEMORIES. . .

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"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now."

A Brother in Christ,  
Sgt. Terrence (Terry) L. Mahan  
(Class of 1971)

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Please help us make Spring Guest Day 1975 the **best yet!** The date is Saturday, April 5th.

## ALUMNEWS...

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### CLASSES '71 and '72

**The Fords, Dow and Greta**, have a baby daughter, Virginia Dawn, born on October 24, 1974. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 ozs., and she will be called Dawn.

**Donald Tharp** received the B.A. degree from East Texas Baptist College in 1974 and, after serving pastors in Mississippi, Texas and Louisiana, is now Pastor of Bluff Springs Baptist Church in Pike County near Magnolia.

### CLASS OF '73

**Belva Lynn Booker** was married to Robert Leon Crocker in a December wedding, 1974.

Mr. and Mrs. **Dale Germany (Jolyn Gomillion)**, have a baby son born January 20, 1975. He weighed 7 lbs. 7½ ozs. and has been named Michael Dale.

Born to **Betty** and Jimmy Harwell a son, Kenneth Charles, weighing 5 lbs. 8½ ozs. November 13, 1974 was his birth date.

### CLASS OF '74

**Debra Gardner** became the bride of **David Carr** in a 1974 December wedding.

A December 1974 letter from **Fumiko Imuta** brought news that she would return to Japan, leaving the

States on January 14, 1975. She gave as her permanent address 2--798 Kosugijinya-cho, Nakahara-ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa-ken 211, JAPAN.

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**Patricia Gilbert** and Charles Corey were united in marriage in December, 1974. They are now at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

**Brenda Joyce Sills** is engaged to John Talmage Miller. They are to be married on March 1st.

**Melita Ann Shoemaker** and **Billy Frank Duncan** are engaged to be married. Their wedding date is set for March 8th.



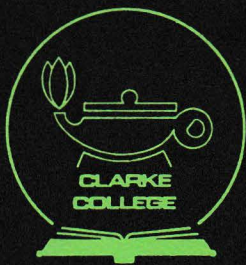
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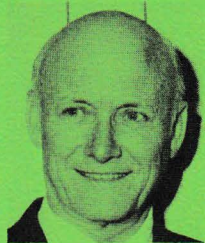


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WINTER, 1976



Dr. W. L. Compere

### The President Speaks

"But you knew this would come through, didn't you?"

This question has been asked me several times about two wonderful things that have come about in the last few weeks—Clarke's reaffirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association and the reaching of the 1976 Lottie Moon goal.

Concerning the reaffirmation, yes, we had a strong assurance. We knew a thorough Self-Study had been done by our personnel. The Visiting Committee last spring had given a favorable report about the quality of our total program and we had made a thorough response to all their recommendations. Realistically, however, we knew of their concern about current enrollment and our drawing on reserves to pay expenses. We knew that we are now showing improvement in these two areas, thanks to a new surge of interest and support by our loyal alumni, but would our confidence be shared? We were saying with the man who brought his son to Jesus for healing "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief." So, it was a great moment when we heard the recommendation read to the College Delegate Assembly that the accreditation of Clarke College be reaffirmed and witnessed the unanimous approval.

Then came the Lottie Moon offering. Did you know know the goal

## Clarke College Accreditation Reaffirmed

The accreditation of Clarke College was reaffirmed by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools at its annual meeting at Atlanta in December. This is the culmination of the two year self-study completed by the college in 1976.

President W. L. Compere and Dean Victor Vaughn were present at Atlanta when the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association adopted the recommendation of its committee on Standards and Re-

ports that Clarke College's self-study be accepted and that its accreditation be reaffirmed.

Dr. Compere telephoned the news to the college on Wednesday, December 15, and an announcement was made to the student body and faculty in chapel that day by Dr. Mary Jane Myers, Chairman of the Self-Study Committee. Following the announcement, students broke into spontaneous applause to express joy over the decision.

### "COLLEGE FOR A DAY"

April 2, 1977

High School juniors and seniors will have an opportunity to experience "COLLEGE FOR A DAY" at Clarke on April 2, 1977. Preliminary plans are being formed to provide an informative and eventful day for the many prospective students of Clarke College.

Alumni, pastors and friends are urged to bring their junior and senior high school students. Campus tours, student entertainment, student-faculty conferences and a possible baseball game will highlight the events of this special day in the lives of many students as they experience the friendly campus life and Christian atmosphere found here at Clarke.

would be reached? Sure, the Clarke family has never failed in this and we had a lot of assurance that victory would come again. But realistically we recognized that the goal was set very high, probably the highest yet in proportion to the number of people involved. We felt that we must pre-

pare ourselves for the possibility that this time it might not be reached. But the people prayed and worked and gave, and the victory came. More important than the reaching of a financial goal were the great spiritual experiences shared by many of the College family.

## From The Desk Of Dean Vaughn



New Year's Day, 1977—Maybe there is a real value in having a single day to mark the beginning of a new calendar year, a day for us to recognize our time-bound nature and to reestablish our priorities for the future, a time to pause and reflect upon the effect of the past, the experiences of the present, and our expectations for the future.

A matter of special note—The recent reaffirmation of Clarke College as a fully accredited member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools is of great significance. For the 4538 graduates of this institution and the several hundred students who have attended Clarke College during these past eighteen months. This reaffirmation indicates that the College is highly committed to a process of continued self evaluation and on-campus assessment by peer representatives from other institutions. Through this private voluntary association, requiring a great amount of time, effort, and expense, the College maintains its standards of excellence.

In a broader sense, the reaffirmation of Clarke College was not merely the recognition of a highly respected assembly of educational delegates of the Southern Region. It was and shall continue to be the sum total of time and efforts of those persons who have identified and involved themselves in the College's purposes and programs, of the faculty, staff, and service personnel who have been faithful and effective in service, of students in their diligent pursuit of learning, and of the friends of the College, serving as trustees, advisors, and contributors.

Only a heart expanded by gratitude can contain all the names of those who have done so much to reaffirm the College. THANK YOU!

And let us offer this observation: The only hope we can see for the future depends on the wiser use of reason and resources, the daily practice of Christian faith and mission

## \$3,800.00 Lottie Moon Goal Reached

It required adjusting the date but the high goal for the Foreign Missions Offering was reached! On the first date set, December 19, most of the bulbs in the Lottie Moon Star were lighted and on the new date, December 21, the final light was turned on.

The Lottie Moon emphasis began early this session and momentum was gained as new students caught the enthusiasm of Sophomores who were challenged and inspired last year. Some new students were heard to ask, "Who is this Lottie Moon?", but they were not long in finding out what Lottie Moon stands for on the Clarke College campus.

The first chapel service when the Lottie Moon Star is displayed is a moving experience; a thrill goes over the assembled group as the first bulb is turned on, symbolizing the first \$100.00 having been reached. Then, week by week, to the challenge of the hymn "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go" additional bulbs are lighted as more money begins coming in. This year's goal, set by the 1976-77 student body, was \$3,800.00 — one of the largest goals ever set!

The Lottie Moon night of December 19 saw a large crowd gathered to sing, pray, and share the

blessings of the night. Group singing and solos, a puppet show and an appearance by "Lottie Moon," testimonies and poetry, with a special skit performed by the campus Mission Friends who pantomimed a Lottie Moon story, were all woven around the Lottie Moon theme.

Highlights of the evening included the Clarke College Choir's performance of "His Love. . . Reaching," a slide presentation of Baptist Mission Work in Bangladesh by Miss Marjean Patterson, Mississippi WMU Executive Secretary, and the night's final lighting of bulbs which was conducted by Dr. W. L. Compere, assisted by several students. As the activities concluded, the receipts were several hundred dollars short of the goal. Dr. Compere stressed the effort involved in coming this far and challenged those assembled to continue working toward the goal.

Tuesday night, December 21, was set as a new target date for reaching the goal before students left for Christmas vacation. Much prayer, work, and sacrificial giving resulted in the amount of \$3,813.70 being reached on this night. Quite an accomplishment for a school family—students, staff and faculty—numbering about 230!

## Clarke's Choir On TV

Clarke College's Choir appeared on several Mississippi TV Stations during the Christmas season as they presented their annual Christmas Music program. This year's program, a cantata by Huff-Gaither, "His Love. . . Reaching", was taped at WTOK-TV, Meridian for area release and was shown on WTWW, Tupelo, WCBI, Columbus, and WLOX, Biloxi, in addition to two showings on WTOK, Meridian.

## Who's Who At Clarke College

Seven Clarke College students have been accepted for listing in the 1976-77 **Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges**. Those chosen for this honor are: Carol Allen, Laurel, Miss.; Clifton Craft, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; John Greene, Prentiss, Miss.; Dianne Johnsey, Jackson, Miss.; Phil Spigner, Tupelo, Miss.; LaRue Stephens, Silver Creek, Miss.; John Wilson, Gulfport, Miss.

and a sense of humor when we fail to achieve our highest expectation and the spirit of humility when we surpass our least anticipation.

Students included in the **Who's Who** listing are selected on the basis of scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extra curricular activities, citizenship and service to the school and promise of future leadership as citizens. Dr. W. L. Compere announced the listing at chapel exercises on December 1, with formal presentation to take place later. He stressed the honor involved and further stated the difficult task faced by the faculty in making the choices because a large percentage of students at Clarke deserve high rating.



## \$77,777.77 Alumni Goal Set

The 1977 Annual Fund Committee of the Alumni Association has set a goal of \$77,777.77 to work toward by July 7, 1977. Each alumnus is urged to participate by contributing and securing other contributions from individuals, businesses and corporations interested in Christian Education at Clarke.

Letters and individual donation envelopes will be mailed to all alumni during the month of January, 1977. The Alumni and friends are urged to send in their donations before July 7, 1977.

The photo shows members of the committee as they met with Rev. Allen Parnell, Director of Alumni Affairs, to formulate preliminary plans and goals. Members of the committee were: (L to R) Mrs. Donna McComb '62 from Columbia, Miss.; Rev. Jimmy Walker '56, Chairman, from Mendenhall; Mrs. J. B. Costilow '51, Secretary-Treasurer, Alumni Association from Newton, Allen Parnell '65, and Rev. Ralph Culp '66 from Corinth, Miss.

## UPDATE— 50 Year Reunion! ! !

Final plans are being made for the 50 year reunion of the Clarke graduates of 1927 on Thursday, May 12, 1977. Mr. Wheeler Cathey (Vice President of the '27 Class) and Rev. Elton Barlow along with the Clarke College Administration are making final arrangements for this event. Most of the living members of the class have been located and contacted but help is needed in finding a few others. Please notify Director of Alumni Affairs Allen Parnell if you know the address of any of the following:

Lena Mangum  
Gwendolyn Ellis  
Edward Powe  
W. C. Golden  
Mabel Gordon  
Roger W. Scott  
I. E. Hariston  
Joe Spann  
Ray Nester  
C. M. Williamson

## Youth Teams Are Available

Youth-Teams have been formed from the many talented and dedicated students on our campus. These teams will be available on request for weekend youth revivals, retreats, fellowships, and Sunday engagements. For detailed information regarding the scheduling of a group of these challenging young people for your church, please contact Rev. J. B. Costilow, BSU Director or Rev. Allen B. Parnell, Director of Admissions, Clarke College.

**BRING A PROSPECTIVE  
STUDENT TO**

**"COLLEGE FOR A DAY"**

**APRIL 2, 1977**

## Mrs. John Jacobs Joins Clarke's Staff

Mrs. John Jacobs has joined the staff of Clarke College as Director of Public Information. Mrs. Jacobs and her husband, the Rev. John Jacobs, have served several years as missionaries in the Caribbean area under appointment by the Foreign Mission Board. They returned to the States in May of this year and Mr. Jacobs recently accepted the pastorate of West Calvary Baptist Church in Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs both hold Associate in Arts degree from Clarke College. Mrs. Jacobs attended Miss. College, received the B. S. degree from Delta State and did additional work at Golden Gate Seminary in California.

Mrs. Jacobs comes to her position on the Clarke College staff well qualified for her work both by education and experience, according to President W. L. Compere. She served as press representative on both foreign mission fields where she and her husband served, Guyana and Dominica. In addition she wrote and edited all materials used in the various organizations sponsored on the islands by Southern Baptist missionaries. A major part of Mrs. Jacobs' activities were with the national young people, a fact that further adds to her preparation for work with college students at Clarke.

"Mrs. Jacobs is a valuable addition to our staff," says Dr. Compere, "and I am pleased to announce her employment in the field of Public Information at Clarke College."



Mrs. John Jacobs

# ALUMNEWS

## CLASS OF '47

**Dr. Charles L. Phipps** ('47) Clinical Chaplain at the Youth Development Center, Augusta, Georgia has retired. He has been at this Center for over ten years. He will retain his residence in Augusta—2719 Vernon Drive, West—Augusta, Georgia 30906.

## CLASS OF '59

**Bill Wilkinson** ('59) has accepted a position as Assoc. Pastor & Minister of Education at Sherwood Baptist Church, Albany, GA. Bill has been serving in a similar position at First Baptist, West Point, MS. Bill may be addressed at: Sherwood Baptist Church, 2201 Whispering Pines Road, Albany, GA 31705.

## CLASS OF '62

**Mrs. Donna (Martin) McComb** ('62) has moved from Pearl MS to Columbia, MS, where her husband, Dr. J. Roy McComb is pastor of 1st Baptist Church. Her new address is 425 Ford St., Columbia, MS. 39429.

## CLASS OF '67

New address of **Rick Clough**, President ('67), is 123 Parkview Drive, Marietta, Georgia 30060.

## CLASS OF '70

**Terry Arnett** ('70) is Youth Court Counselor for the Third Chancery Court District serving Grenada, Montgomery and Yalobusha Cos. Terry's address is Grenada, MS 38901.

## CLASS OF '72

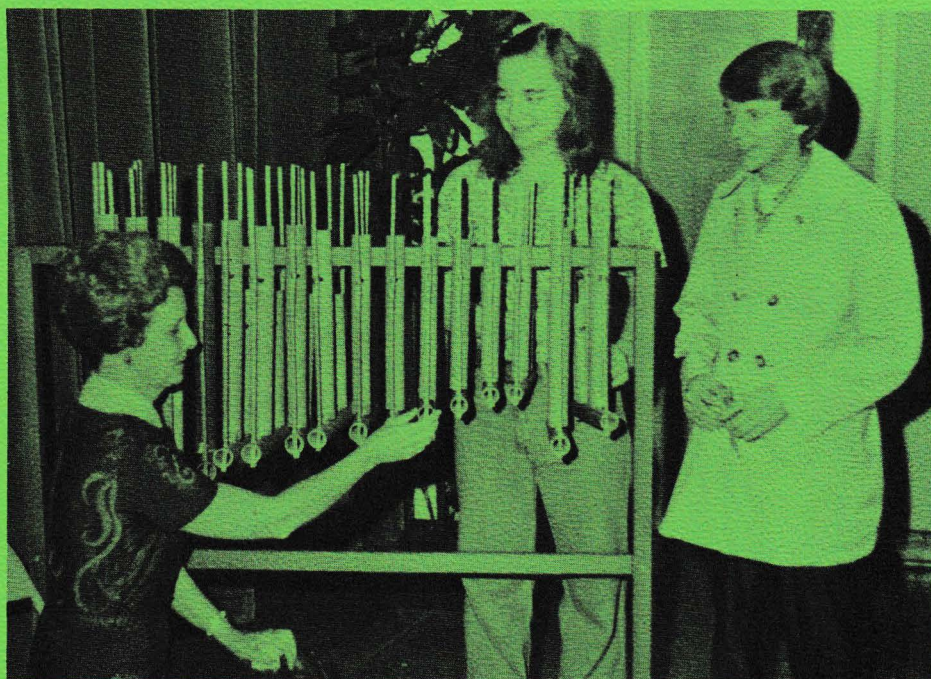
**Brenda Jo Cameron** ('72) and James McKay Savage were married, Oct. 9, 1976, in an afternoon ceremony in the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church in Meridian, Mississippi. The couple now resides in Severna Park, Maryland.

**Kathy Dianne Jones** ('72) and Randall Barron Kuhn were married in an evening ceremony on December 18 at Orchard Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama. They may be reached by writing 6601 Old Shell Road, Oak Park Apartments, Apartment No. 1 Mobile, Alabama 36608.

**Bobbie (Smith) Maxwell** ('72) and **Jimmy Maxwell** ('73) are pleased to announce the birth of their No. 1 son—Jeremy Wayne, born November 24, 1976.

## CLASS OF '76

**Darlene Green** ('76) is a member of the Denim-Gange, a new song group at the University of Southern Mississippi. The group is directed by Michael Howard and is a production of USM Public Relations.



## Missionary Ditsworth Visits Clarke

Miss Mary Alice Ditsworth, missionary to Indonesia and an alumna of Clarke College (class of 1950), was chapel speaker during the Foreign Missions Emphasis during December.

Miss Ditsworth showed slides of Indonesia and Southern Baptist Mission work there. Of special interest to the students was the Indonesian musical instrument made of bamboo, which Miss Ditsworth demonstrated for the student body.

In the picture Miss Ditsworth is explaining the instrument to Miss Carol Allen of Laurel, BYW President, and John Wilson of Gulfport, BSU President.

## Clarke College Newton County Alumni Meet

Alumni of Clarke College who reside in Newton County met recently with Mr. Allen Parnell, Director of Alumni Affairs, to organize and make plans for the coming year.

The Newton Chapter is the first to be formed in the re-organization of the Clarke College Alumni Association. Officers elected by the group are: Mr. W. T. McMullan, '27, President; Mr. W. D. McClendon, '67, Vice-President; Mr. David Hale, '66 Secretary-Treasurer.

## CORRECTION FOR ALUMNI NEWS

**Truette Golmon** ('60) missionary to Malaysia and uncle of **Mrs. Billy (Shoemaker —'74) Duncan** spoke at First Baptist Church Clara, MS., August 1, 1976. **Mr. Billy Duncan** ('74) is currently serving as pastor of Owishee Baptist Church, Fort Mitchell, Alabama. Melita's father, N. L. Shoemaker, Jr., is minister of music of First Baptist Church, Clara, MS.

## Missionary Notes:

**Danny** ('71) and **Elizabeth (Wallace)** ('71) **Panter**, appointed for Togo, will leave the States December 27 for France and language study. Their address: 1 Rue Georges Bizet, 3F, 300 Joue'-les'-Tours, France.

**Tom** ('53) and **Gloria Thurman**, missionaries to Bangladesh, ask prayer support for their work in the villages. They can be addressed as follows: Baptist Mission, Faridpur, Bangladesh.

**Mary Alice Ditsworth** ('50) will be completing furlough in April and be returning to Bandung, Indonesia. She was the chapel speaker on December 8.

Do you know students who have been out of school for a year or two and may be interested in college? Clarke may be the place for them. Get in touch! Send us their names!

# IN MEMORY OF JIMMY O. BARBER

By James L. Spencer

It was Sunday afternoon, almost two years ago, that our phone rang and the voice I heard was that of a young man with whom I had been associated for several years. He sounded weak, searching for the right words as he told me that he had been critically ill with cancer. After the initial shock passed, I felt a deep hurt with a feeling of nausea inside. Surely this was not true! Jimmie was only in his mid-twenties! He was the picture of health and vitality, the idol of every child athlete. Not he! !

Soon the conversation ended and I slumped back in my chair to rethink what I had just heard. As Kathryn and I talked about Jimmie, it occurred to us that this phone call was characteristic of the young man whom both had come to love so much. He said that he was calling his friends to tell them how much they meant to him and how he appreciated them. "So typical," I thought.

Jimmie Barber came into my life in the fall of 1967. I was basketball-baseball coach at Clarke College

## Clark Adams In Who's Who In The South And Southwest

The 1976-77 edition of **Who's Who in the South and Southwest** includes the name of Clark Adams, Director of Choral Activities at Clarke. Mr. Adams, a native of Greenville, Ala., has served on the music faculty at Clarke since 1971. He has the BM and MM (cum laude) from William Carey College and has done further graduate study at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Mr. Adams is a choral adjudicator, a composer, a concert performer, a teacher of church laymen music classes, and is currently Minister of Music at Southside Baptist Church in Meridian, in addition to his duties at Clarke. He is a member of the Association of Church Musicians. Mr. Adams' wife, Nell, is also one of the music faculty at Clarke. They are the parents of two daughters, Christie and Leslie.

**Who's Who in the South and Southwest** includes biographies of men and women who have made outstanding contributions to their professional fields and to the communities in which they live.

then, and Jimmie was outstanding in both sports. He fitted well into the life of our college. He became friends not only with the other athletes, but with all other students as well. His was such an out-going, vibrant personality that one had to like him. He was so enthusiastic about life; he wanted to live every moment to its fullest.

What can I say about someone as special as Jimmie Barber? He was a great human being. I loved him as a student-athlete, a friend, a brother, a son. He was a member of my family; my older son still remembers playing ball with Jimmie on so many occasions.

While we all have experienced a great loss, I am grateful to a loving God that I was permitted to share a few moments with Jimmie and that someday, in His wisdom, we shall again walk and talk together.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jimmie O. Barber graduated from Clarke in 1969 and was living in Bogalusa, Louisiana, at the time of his death. He was married to the former Faye King ('69) and was the father of Karen Michelle. Mrs. Barber's address is: 1212 Wilmuth St., Bogalusa, LA 70427.

## Clarke Student Has Poetry Published

Miss Sue Walbridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Walbridge, of Sonora, California, and a Freshman at Clarke College, Newton, Mississippi, has had poetry accepted by two publishing houses for inclusion in their anthologies of collegiate poetry. Her poem "One Light" received a Special Award and is included in the semi-annual **American Collegiate Poets**, Fall Concourse 1976. "There Is" has been selected for publication in the bi-annual **Anthology of College Poetry**. These anthologies represent the best writing from thousands of students across the country.

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## Clarke Fall Semester A Success—Bright Expectations For Future

Clarke College expects at least 23 new students for the second semester beginning January 11. The recently concluded Fall semester was a success in every way.

Interest in Clarké is showing an upswing as Rev. Allen Parnell, Director of Student Admissions and Alumni Affairs since August 1976, pursues all avenues of outreach and encouragement for increased admissions and alumni involvement at the college.

The January applications have grown to a total of 23 toward a goal of 40 set by the Admissions Office for new and/or returning students for the Spring term.

There was an encouraging number of responses from prospective students during a stepped-up campaign conducted by the Admissions Office in the fall months. Presently there are 22 applications of prospective students for the Fall Term of 1977. Clarke President Dr. W. L. Compere notes that this number of applications is several times the number in hand at this date last year and is comparable to the number received up to mid-April of 1976.

The college dormitories open for the Spring Semester on Monday, Jan. 10, with registration to be conducted on January 11, and class work beginning on January 12.



*Pete and Joyce Ann Pearson, new students at Clarke, stand in front of their college residence, one of the new duplex apartments built on campus in 1974-75. The new duplexes provide modern and attractive housing for married students and their families.*

*Mr. Pearson, a ministerial student, and his wife moved from Taylorsville to Clarke where both will attend classes. Mrs. Pearson will also work part-time in the college Business Office.*